Overview

The Nationwide Cybersecurity Review (NCSR) is a no-cost, anonymous, annual self-assessment that is designed to measure gaps and capabilities of state, local, tribal and territorial (SLTT) governments’ cybersecurity programs.

The NCSR is aligned to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Cybersecurity Framework (CSF). The CSF provides a common language for understanding, managing, and expressing cybersecurity risk. It can be used to help identify and prioritize actions for reducing cybersecurity risk, and align policy, business, and technological approaches to managing risk. Learn more at https://www.nist.gov/cyberframework/framework.

Register for the NCSR

To register for the NCSR, please visit https://www.cisecurity.org/ms-isac/services/ncsr/

Benefits

- Receive metrics specific to your organization to identify gaps and develop a benchmark to gauge year-to-year progress, as well as anonymously measure your results against your peers.
- Attain reporting in order to prioritize the “next steps” towards cybersecurity improvement, based on area of deficiency.
- Obtain resources and services that can help you fulfill the desired steps towards cybersecurity improvement.
- For HIPAA-compliant agencies, translate your NCSR scores to the HIPAA Security Rule scores of an automatic self-assessment tool.
- Utilize data summaries to justify resource and funding opportunities within your organization.
- Fulfill the NCSR assessment requirement for the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP). Additional information located here: https://www.fema.gov/homeland-security-grant-program
- Nationally, aggregate NCSR data provides a baseline, foundational understanding of SLTT cybersecurity posture to help drive policy, governance and resource allocation.
- Results enable Federal partners to better understand the status quo and engage in more strategic, cyber-specific planning and preparedness to help manage national risk and improve SLTT core capabilities.

Learn more about the NCSR

Get an overview of the NCSR and learn about the benefits in the recorded webinar here: Using NCSR Results to Improve Your Cybersecurity Program

Questions

For administrative and technical questions about the NCSR, please contact the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center® (MS-ISAC®) at ncsr@cisecurity.org.