



FISSEA 19th Annual Conference: Organizational Inspector General Perspectives

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- **Introduction and background**
- **Perspective on the Internal Revenue Service's (IRS) cyber-security program**



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- **Early TIGTA audit work**
 - Findings dealt mainly with security weaknesses and vulnerabilities
- **Recent TIGTA audit work**
 - Focus on underlying causes of security findings



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- **TIGTA work relating to cyber-security training issues**
 - Audit reports
 - Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA)



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- *Inadequate Accountability and Training for Key Security Employees Contributed to Significant Computer Security Weaknesses* (Report Reference 2004-20-027, dated January 2004)
- *Computer Security Roles and Responsibilities and Training Should Remain Part of the Computer Security Material Weakness* (Report Reference 2004-20-155, dated September 2004)
- FISMA Submission – Fiscal Year 2004
- FISMA Submission – Fiscal Year 2005



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- **Keys to changing behavior**
 - Roles and responsibilities
 - Training
 - Accountability
- **Understanding the security risk**



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■ Solution in Action

- Define roles and responsibilities
- Identify needed skills
- Develop training curriculum
- Mandate training requirement
- Monitor training activity
- Periodic testing of control areas



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- **FY 2006 FISMA Submission**
 - Security training for key employees is still evaluated as part of the making the grade



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- Any questions or comments?

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