



Enhancing NASA Cyber Security Awareness From the C-Suite to the End-User

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From the C-Suite to the End-User

IT security professionals alone cannot provide the needed impact on the organization's security posture – it is an ALL HANDS effort coordinated by the OCIO

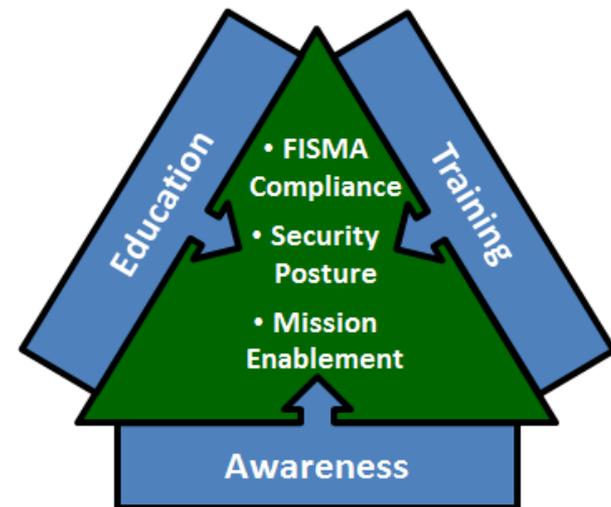
- Engage Senior leadership fully:
 - » Informed of issues, challenges and compliance status
 - » Influence decisions and messaging
- Support continuing education of the security experts:
 - » Outreach to promulgate policy changes
 - » Targeted training focused on current challenges
- Engage the workforce in day-to-day security:
 - » Enhance understanding of personal role in cyber security
 - » Open communication to support cyber security collaboration



The Security Education Mission

- Enhance security through improved awareness
 - » Of issues and challenges
 - » Of the impact to the organization mission
 - » Of the impact to each user's job
- Cyber Security training must make the connections among:
 - » Senior leadership business / mission imperatives
 - » OCIO policies / procedures
 - » End-User job facilitation

Cyber Security training, education and awareness programs must engage all levels and facets of the organization



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Regulatory Policy & Guidance

Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA)

TITLE III—INFORMATION SECURITY

SEC. 301. INFORMATION SECURITY.

(a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This title may be cited as the “Federal Information Security Management Act of 2002”.

(b) **INFORMATION SECURITY.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subchapter:

“SUBCHAPTER III—INFORMATION SECURITY

“§ 3541. Purposes

“The purposes of this subchapter are to—

“(1) provide a comprehensive framework for ensuring the effectiveness of information security controls over information resources that support Federal operations and assets;

NIST Special Publication 800-53

NIST Special Publication 800-53
Revision 3

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Recommended Security Controls
for Federal Information Systems
and Organizations

JOINT TASK FORCE
TRANSFORMATION INITIATIVE

I N F O R M A T I O N S E C U R I T Y

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**Information Technology Security
Training Requirements:
A Role- and Performance-Based Model**

NIST Special Publication 800-50

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Building an Information
Technology Security Awareness
and Training Program

Mark Wilson and Joan Hash

C O M P U T E R S E C U R I T Y



NASA IT Security Awareness Campaign – Overview

- Improved communication and coordination on IT Security matters with Senior leadership, Center CIOs and CISOs, Mission Program directors and End-users
- Complements, not replaces the IT security training program
 - » Required periodic training typically seen as a “check in the box”
 - » Awareness campaign leverages major themes of required training and makes them “real” to employees
- Driving Security through Knowledge requires recognition that:
 - » Leadership must be engaged
 - » IT security must be personal to users
 - » Training and education efforts must be in synch with leadership messaging





NASA IT Security Awareness Campaign – Goals

- Engage and update business, mission, and IT leadership in federal compliance progress and challenges
- Improve collaboration across the Agency IT security professional community
- Communicate information security issues and challenges to the user community at-large
- Enhance targeted, role-based training for IT and IT security professionals
- Provide expanded Cyber Security awareness training to the End-User community as a whole

The 2013 Awareness Campaign – Leadership Projects

- Senior Leadership Briefings Update on annual training/awareness program
 - » Progress on compliance and strategic plan
- FISMA Awareness Briefings
 - » FISMA compliance status
 - » Leadership concerns with IT security impacts
- Cyber Security Summit
 - » Full day of workshops / panel sessions on transformation of IT / IT security
 - » Specialized training and continuing education credit per NIST SP 800-16
- Cyber Security Tips
 - » Agency CIO delivers cyber security tip to senior staff attending weekly staff meeting with Administrator



The 2013 Awareness Campaign – Role-Based Projects

- Semi-annual IT Security Advisory Board Face-to-Face
 - » Issues / challenges update and discussion
 - » Focus group meetings for ongoing projects
- IT Security Awareness WebEx
 - » Quarterly updates on federal and Agency policies, procedures, and issues for personnel with significant security responsibilities
 - » Semi-annual focused training addressing current IT security challenges
- Cyber Security Training & Certifications
 - » 3-5 day training classes on current relevant topics such as: Encryption, Privacy, Social Engineering, Cloud Computing
 - » Certification training to meet requirements for role-based training such as: CISSP, SCNP, GSEC, ITIL, CEH, MCSE, CCNA, Security+



The 2013 Awareness Campaign – General User Projects

- Annual Cyber Security Expo



- » Events coordinated with National Cyber Security Awareness Month
- » IT Security subject matter expert speakers available via webinars

- Cyber Security Road Shows

- » Live, interactive training sessions on current, relevant topics
- » Updates on Agency IT security policies and procedures

- Cyber Security Electronic Communication

- » Tweets of Weekly Cyber Security Tips
- » Email broadcasts of cyber security issues and training module links
- » Distribution of a monthly IT Security Newsletter



- Cyber Security Informational Brochure

- » Concise description of IT security programs and tools
- » Listing of NASA directives on IT security policy / procedure
- » Updated annually; distributed electronically and via hard copy

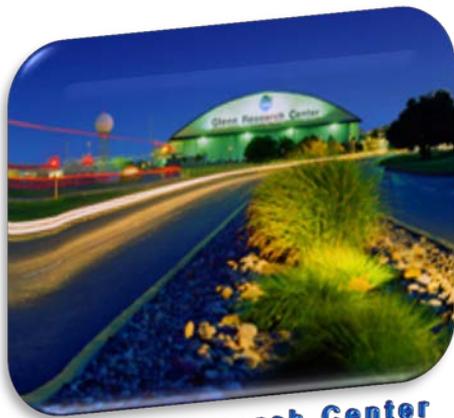


2013 Campaign – Results

- OCIO IT Security Division better integrated into HQ functions and activities
 - » Weekly Cyber Security Tips now anticipated by Senior Leadership
 - » Security being consulted as IT and IT-related projects are developed
 - » Active “seat at the table” with CTO and Enterprise Architecture
- More widespread interest in enterprise awareness programs
 - » IT security staff and end-user input aimed at improved completion and tracking of required training
 - » Increased coordination among Centers making previous local training more widely available across the Agency
- Improved communication among IT Security professional community has decreased time to implement new or updated enterprise policy / procedure

2013 Campaign Return On Investment – Cyber Security Expo

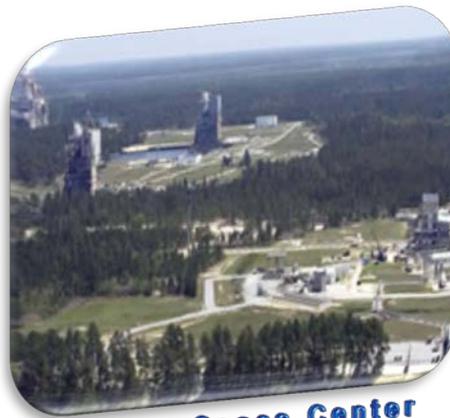
- Excellent participation in Cyber Security Expo across the Agency
 - » Coordinated with the DHS National Cyber Security Awareness Month
 - » Hundreds of employees attend activities sponsored at each our Centers throughout the month
 - Feedback provided is helping to improve outreach programs
 - Training was incorporated to help achieve annual training goals



Glenn Research Center



**Marshall Space
Flight Center**



Stennis Space Center



Langley Research Center



2013 Campaign Return On Investment – Training

- Training completion statistics on the upswing
 - » 40.1% of employees completed Annual Awareness Training in the First 4 months of FY13 – compared To 31.5% in the same period of FY12

- External training sources leveraged:
 - » FISMA/NIST 3-day certification training
 - » SANS training for technical certifications
 - » Federal Cybersecurity Training Events (FedCTE) Program offerings such as Continuous Monitoring/Network Monitoring

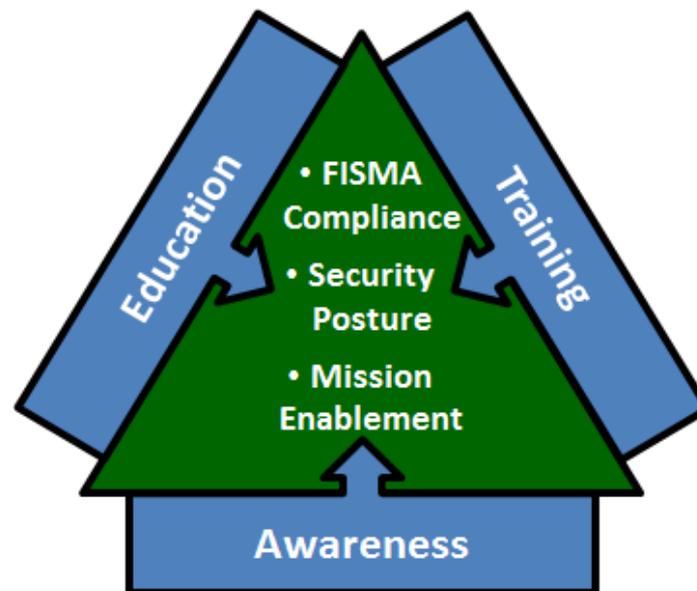
- Applied the NICE IT Workforce Assessment for Cybersecurity
 - » Assisted in determining IT Security training requirements across the NASA IT workforce

IREC Survey Results

Areas Identified for Improvement

(Based on User responses & prioritized according to IREC Improvement Opportunity Scores)

- Present communication & training clearly and logically
- Focus training on information security policies & procedures
- Ensure that communication & training is relevant to users' day-to-day work
- Ensure that communication & training defines actions to improve security
- Ensure that training is interesting



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The Road Forward – Challenges

- Keep the message fresh, interesting, & relevant
 - » Ensure leadership messaging and Cybersecurity training and awareness program remain consistent
 - » Ensure communications are timely and aligned with current issues
- Assessing the impact on Users
 - » Enable the mission within a secure IT environment
 - » *Communicate, communicate, communicate!*
- Innovative methods
 - » Incorporate “wargaming” and exercises
 - » Leverage “real world” events and incidents
- Leverage NICE more fully
 - » Continue to improve partnership with DHS
 - » Ensure cybersecurity skills remain aligned with government and industry best practices



The Road Forward – Planned Actions

- Complete and analyze updated IREC survey
- Incorporate enhanced social engineering training in Road Shows
 - » Regularly scheduled penetration testing includes phishing attack scenario
 - » Leverage results of those scenarios to show: *“this is what happened to you!”*
- Leverage lessons learned from other Federal organizations gaming and exercises to enhance our training & awareness activities
- Develop FY2014 Outreach Campaign Plan
 - » Continue implementing innovative training, messaging, & delivery
 - » Leverage results of NICE/DHS workforce survey
 - » Incorporate recommendations from new IREC survey
 - » Address challenges and vulnerabilities identified by Security Operations
- Bring the message home – to the user!
- Keep the message fresh – communicate always!

Questions?

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