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Automating Transition to NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5 with OSCAL

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Welcome! Here's the Agenda:

- Introduction
- Review of Requirement to Transition to NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5
- Available OSCAL Tools To Help with Transition
- ATO as a Service™ Workflow to Transition to NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5
- Q&A

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Allow me to re-introduce myself, my name is...

- **Jasson Walker, Jr. CISSP, CPT, CEH, PMP, MCSE**

- President & CEO of cFocus Software Incorporated
- 15+ years of experience with FISMA/RMF/FedRAMP compliance

- **cFocus Software Incorporated**

- Established 2006 with 15+ years of federal IA & cybersecurity experience
- Providing security compliance for multiple federal agencies (Army, EPA, etc.)
- <https://cfocussoftware.com>

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Introducing ATO as a Service™

- **ATO as a Service™ automates FISMA/RMF/FedRAMP compliance and reporting with OSCAL**
 - Automates Risk Management Framework process (NIST SP 800-37 Rev. 2)
 - Auto-generates 100% OSCAL v1.0.0 compliant SSPs, POA&Ms, SAPs & SARs
 - Exports authorization package documents to Word/Excel format



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Review of Requirement to Transition to NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5

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Requirement to Transition to NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5

- NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5 published September 23, 2020
 - Updates published December 10, 2020
- NIST SP 800-53A Rev. 5 published January 25, 2022
- OMB A-130 states, “agencies to comply with NIST standards within one year of publication.”

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Available OSCAL Tools To Help with Transition

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Available OSCAL Tools To Help with Transition

- **NIST has released NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5 data in OSCAL format**
 - NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5 = NIST_SP-800-53_rev5_catalog
 - NIST SP 800-53A Rev. 5 = NIST_SP-800-53_rev5_catalog
 - NIST SP 800-53B = NIST_SP-800-53_rev5_LOW-baseline_profile,
NIST_SP-800-53_rev5_MODERATE-baseline_profile,
NIST_SP-800-53_rev5_HIGH-baseline_profile,
NIST_SP-800-53_rev5_PRIVACY-baseline_profile

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Available OSCAL Tools To Help with Transition

- Furthermore, we can update and extend OSCAL models to incorporate Rev. 4→Rev. 5 transition data
- We have extended OSCAL data models in ATO as a Service to include Rev. 5 transition data
 - [NIST.SP.800-53r4-to-r5 Comparison Workbook](#)

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Available OSCAL Tools To Help with Transition

Rev 5 Update	NIST SP 800-53 Rev 5 Controls	More than editorial or administrative change? (Y/N)	Changed Elements
ID	TITLE		
AC-1	(Access Control) Policy and Procedures	Y	Changes title Changes control text Adds control text Adds parameter Changes discussion Adds to Privacy Control Baseline (SP 800-53)

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Available OSCAL Tools To Help with Transition

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    "Adds parameter",
    "Changes discussion",
    "Adds to Privacy Control Baseline (SP 80-53B)"
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}
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ATO as a Service™ Workflow to Transition to NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5

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Workflow to Transition to NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5

- ATO as a Service™ utilizes OSCAL to automate the transition from NIST SP 800-53 Rev 4 to Rev. 5



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Workflow to Transition to NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5

- Step 1: Create custom converter from .doc/docx/.xls/.xlsx→OSCAL SSP file
- Step 2: Establish common controls, components & organization-defined values
- Step 3: Verify System Categorization & Security Control Selection

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Workflow to Transition to NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5

- **Step 4: Automatically mark as compliant all security controls with minor changes**
 - 491 NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5 security controls (including withdrawn controls) have only minor changes
- **Step 5: Evaluate each security control with major changes**
- **Step 6: Decide to implement control or auto-generate POA&M**

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Thank you! Any Questions?

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