

ATO FOCUS GROUP MEETING SUMMARY

2-6-2023 4-5 PM

Discussion topics included:

Recap from previous meeting:

- Research phase.
- Back end connections.
- ATO focus group will try to be less concerned with ZTA focus group progress.
- ATO focus group will continue with research.
- Research will align with NIST RMF.

Discussed:

- Research matrix spreadsheet.
 - Each scenario will have a different tab with the same questions.
 - Identified stakeholders.
- Challenges in RMF prepare step.
 - Discussed roles and strategy.
- Challenges in RMF categorization step and selecting and implementing controls.
 - Can a multi-cloud system be categorized?
 - Can a system be hosted on clouds with a different categorization?
 - Is categorization based on data types?
- Challenges in control selection step.
 - Can control baselines be selected and tailored the same way with multi-cloud systems?
- Challenges in control implementation step.
 - Are specified controls implemented?
 - Are SSPs updated with control implementation details?
- Challenges in assess step.
 - Are assessment plans developed, reviewed, and approved?
 - Are assessment reports developed?
 - Are remediation plans developed?
 - Are SSPs updated after remediations?
- Challenges in authorize step.
 - Are authorization packages developed?
 - Are risk determinations and responses developed?
 - Are system or common controls authorization approved?
- Challenges in monitor step.
 - Is the continuous monitoring strategy being followed?
 - Is the output from continuous monitoring activities analyzed and responded to?
 - Are ongoing authorizations or continuous authorizations conducted?
- Only +/- 20% of the information may be specific to the scenarios.

For research the working group will follow the use case scenarios.

- Will choose 2 people for each scenario.
- Will conduct research to see how NIST and FedRAMP do things currently.
 - Need to identify if there is a need to deviate because of multi-cloud.
 - Deviations will be documented in the matrix.
- Group will solicit volunteers for scenarios 1-3.