Evaluating cybersecurity maturity across the nation.

What is the Nationwide Cybersecurity Review?

The Nationwide Cybersecurity Review (NCSR) is a no-cost, anonymous, annual self-assessment designed to measure gaps and capabilities of state, local, tribal and territorial governments' cybersecurity programs. It is based on the National Institute of Standards and Technology Cybersecurity Framework (NIST CSF), and is sponsored by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center® (MS-ISAC®). This assessment is a strategic risk management level assessment without in-depth technical questions, making it feasible for all information security professionals to complete.

We hope your organization has the opportunity to participate in 2020, and provide valuable cybersecurity input from members of the Water ISAC!

Register for the 2020 NCSR!

You can register for the NCSR by filling out the form on the following website:

- https://www.cisecurity.org/ms-isac/services/ncsr/

Please note, an eligible organization must be a public entity within a state, local, tribal, or territorial government.

The NCSR question set was built upon the NIST CSF Core, with some minor alterations. The Core consists of a collection of cybersecurity-related activities organized into five main functions: Identify, Protect, Detect, Respond, and Recover.

NCSR Benefits

- Receive metrics to identify your organization's cybersecurity maturity gaps.

- Develop a benchmark to gauge year-to-year progress.

- Anonymously measure your results against your peers.

- Obtain resources and services that can help you mitigate gaps in your maturity.

- Nationally, aggregate NCSR data provides a foundational understanding of SLTT cybersecurity posture to help drive policy, governance, and resource allocation.

Guidance & Resources

Participants can access NCSR resources on the following website:
https://www.cisecurity.org/ms-isac/services/ncsr/.

Resources include:

- NCSR One Page Overview
- NCSR General User Guide
- NCSR Data Reporting Template
- NIST CSF Policy Template Guide
- CIS Controls Version 7.1 –NCSR Results Mapping Template
- Cybersecurity Resources Guide
- Cybersecurity Resources Guide – NCSR Results Mapping Template
- The NCSR & Your HIPAA Security Rule Assessment Requirement
- NIST CSF Overview

The 2020 NCSR assessment is available to complete through December 31, 2020.

Contact the MS-ISAC

The MS-ISAC thanks the Water ISAC and its members for participating. If you have any questions on the NCSR, the MS-ISAC's NCSR team can be contacted at: ncsr@cisecurity.org.