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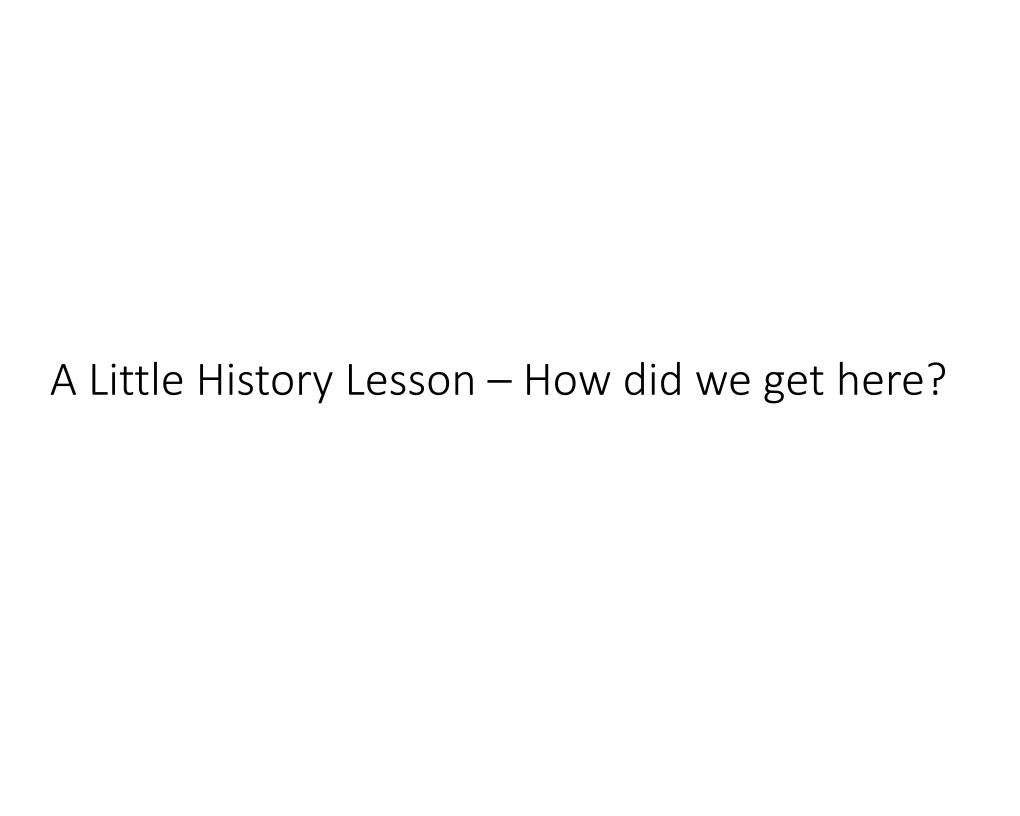
Value Proposition – Taking the "Risk" out of RMF

- What Is RMF?
 - Risk Managed Framework is a methodology developed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology to implement Federal Information Security requirements and provide a framework to assess and authorize federal information systems to operate
- How Do I Reduce the Cost and Time to Implement and Maintain?
 - Implement DoD Tier 1 and Organizational Tier 2 Inheritance

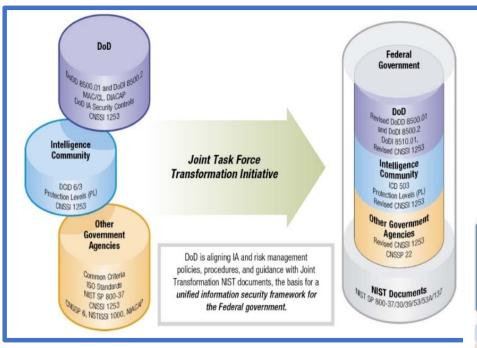
3-Year Per System Savings – w/ Tier 1/2 Inheritance Implemented Calculated based on # of systems in the Organizations Portfolio

	Programs Savings						
1	10	30	60	90			
\$ 861,296	\$8.6M	\$25.8M	\$51.7M	\$77.5M			

Value Proposition - Re-purpose cost savings realized from implementation of effective inheritance to fund continuous monitoring tools creating additional savings



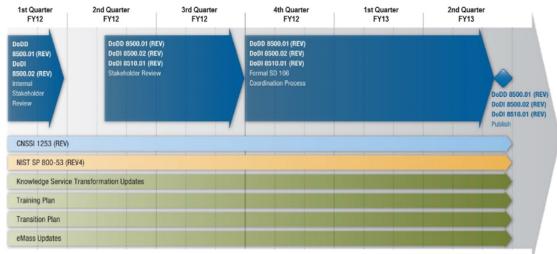
Federal and DoD Transition to RMF



Extracted from DIACAP to Risk Management
Framework (RMF) Transformation DoD Brief Oct 2012

Goal - Align Information Security Compliance across the Federal Government

Goal – Build the DoD Policy Framework and Implementation Strategy to Implement Compliance



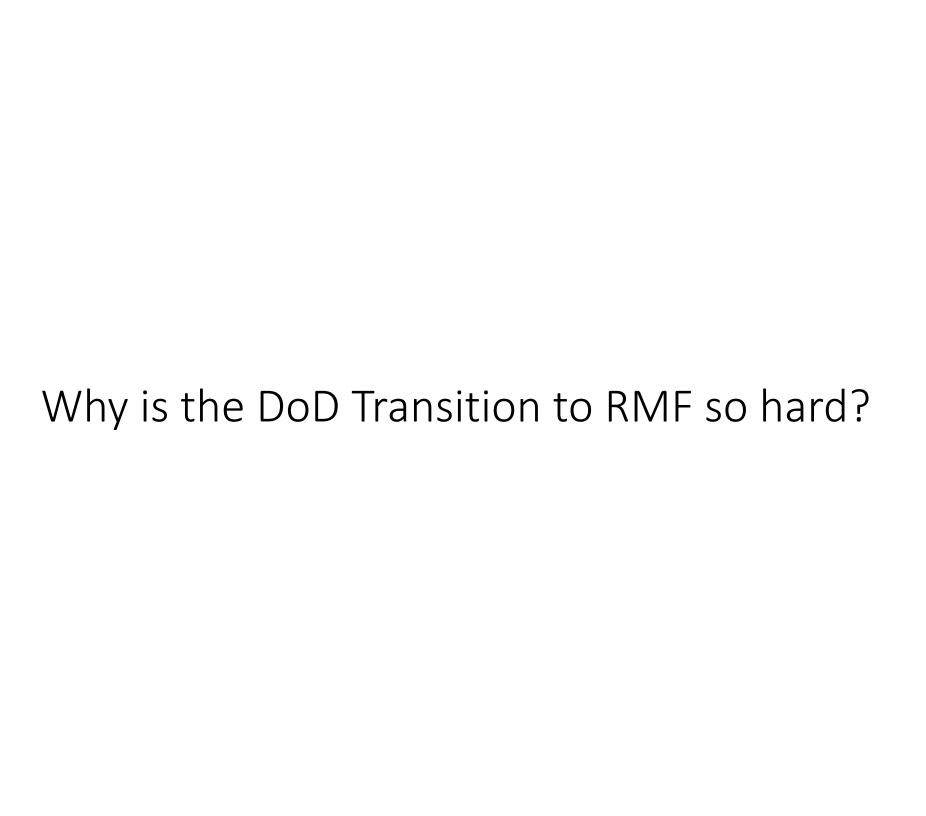
DoD Transition to RMF

Key Concepts – Implementing Security Controls

- RMF is a 6 Step Process Categorize, Select Controls, Implement, Assess, Authorize and Monitor
- Significant change in Security Control Set
 - MAC II DIACAP System (106 Controls) Moderate RMF System (403 Controls)
 - · Increased granularity standardizes implementation across the DoD Enterprise
- Implements Reciprocity Authorizing Officials agree to accept each other's results
- Implements Inheritance Controls may be "inherited" from common providers no re-testing required by the Information System Owner (ISO)
 - For a Moderate System DoD (Tier I) provides 420 Assessment Procedures for Inheritance
- Continuous Monitoring or ongoing assessment Replace the 3-year ATO cycle

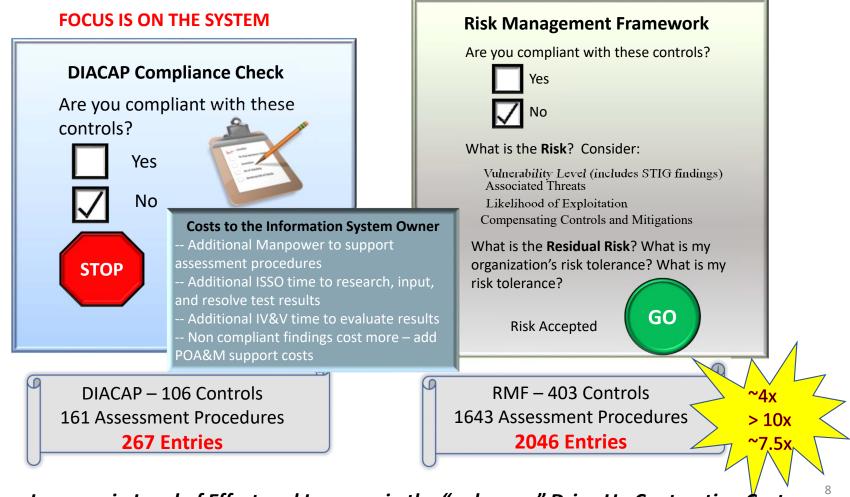
Centrally Managed and Tracked through eMASS

- Implementation Plan Overall implementation Status of Each Control
- Risk Assessment Documents the risk and recommendations associated with each Non-Compliant Control
- Plan of Action & Milestones One for each non-compliant finding mapped to the associated control – may be more than one mapped to a single control
- Security Control Enter test results for each assessment procedure associated with a control number of assessment procedures varies from 1-28



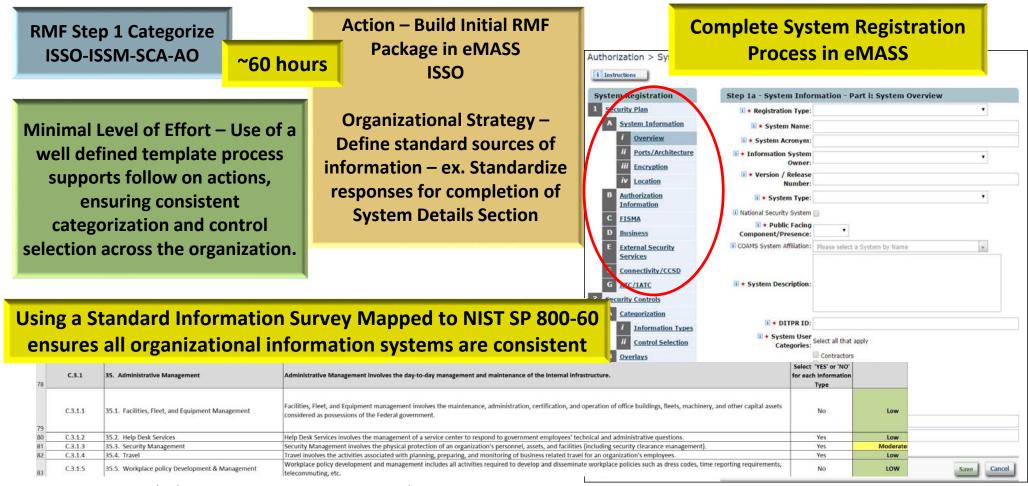
DIACAP vs RMF

FOCUS IS ON THE ORGANIZATION



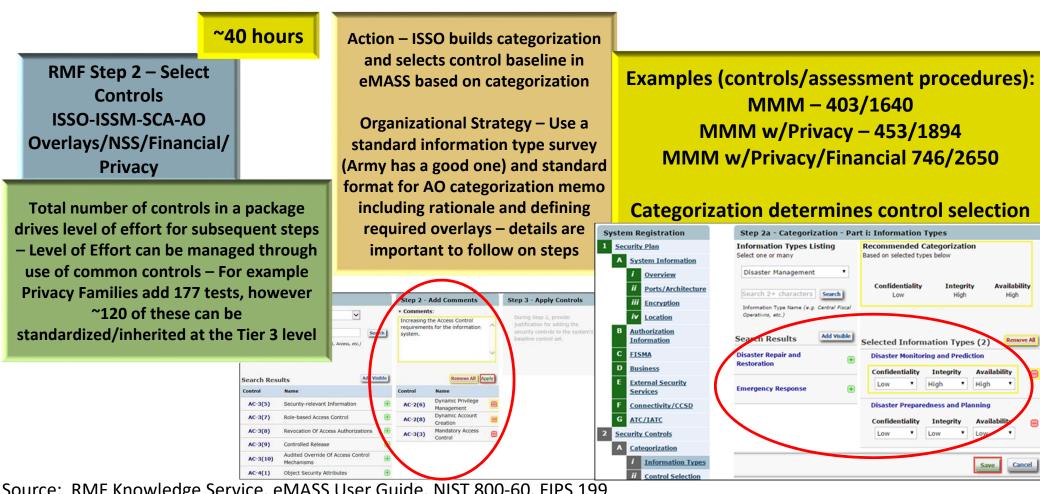
Increase in Level of Effort and Increase in the "unknown" Drive Up Contracting Costs

Building An RMF Package – Categorize



Source: RMF Knowledge Service, eMASS User Guide, NIST 800-60, FIPS 199

Building An RMF Package – Select Control Baseline



Source: RMF Knowledge Service, eMASS User Guide, NIST 800-60, FIPS 199

Building An RMF Package – Implement Controls

RMF Step 3 – Implement
System Owner/Organization –

ISSO advices and investigates

Information System Owner is critical to this step – current RMF methods are asking the ISO to take responsibility for the entire control set – a systemic breakdown of RMF controls mapped to the organizational level responsible for their implementation allow system owners to focus on technical implementation and control overall costs for the RMF process. Establishing and mandating inheritance from a DoD Tier 1 SOR removes 25% of the assessment procedures from the ISO's effort.

Action – ISSO works with ISO, Organization, Hosting Environments to identify supporting documents, evidence, etc.

Organizational Strategy – Define a standard set of DoD/Component/Organizational policies, processes and procedures mapped to RMF controls to be used by ISSO to determine method of implementation.

Identify common controls and develop SORs directing their use in system contracting documents to standardize assessment of organizational practices.

Key Opportunity to identify and review inheritance options – these include identification of a source package for DoD Tier 1 (should be specified to contractor); identification of hosting environment and organizational inheritance – manual (more work and more risk) or through SORs

Implementation Plan documents whether
A control is implemented, not applicable, or
planned; assigns responsibility for
implementation and identified inherited
controls – It serves as a guide for
Building a self assessment plan and forms
the System Security Plan for AO Approval

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Security Control

Not Applicable

Source: RMF Knowledge Service, eMASS User Guide, NIST 800-53

~1 hour per

Building An RMF Package - Assessment

RMF Step 4 – Assess ISSO/ISSM/SCA-AO

~2 hour per AP (ISSO) ~1 hour per AP (SCA)

Heavy lift for the ISSO-ISSM-SCA Team. For each assessment procedure not inherited, the ISSO gathers evidence, writes a detailed test result directly citing the source used to verify, uploads the test result into eMASS, uploads evidence, maps the evidence, writes a POA&M for N/C controls. An independent SCA-V team bases fee on the number of assessment procedures and the number of components to be tested. For each non-inherited AP, they review the test results, verify them against the evidence and determine if they are correctly assessed. They complete a risk assessment based on non-compliant controls

Action – ISSO assembles supporting documentation, conducting testing, interviews, documentation reviews to determine compliance/non-compliance/applicability for each assessment procedure. SCA-V provides independent review/verification of each result

Organizational Strategy – Mapping of control providers through inheritance narrow the controls assessed to those directly attributable to the ISO.

Overarching organizational controls are assessed once – consistently and "inherited" by all information systems – natural check and balances are used to ensure compliance

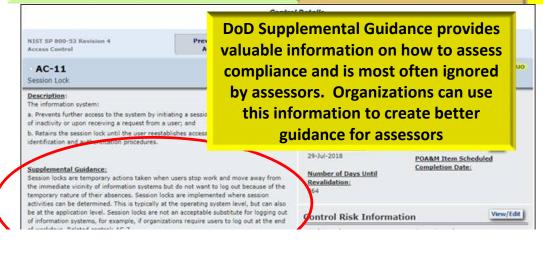
Assessor's toolkit:

DoD Policies (Tier 1)

Component Policies (Service, DHA, DLA, etc) – Tier 2 Organizational Policies – Tier 3

Hosting Environment – Technical/Policy – Tier 3
Information System Specific – processes, procedures,
documentation, technical controls, STIGs, system design

"Organizations defining the Assessor's toolkit upfront will reduce the vendor's risk, standardize security baselines, and substantially reduce both cost and risk while level setting security implementation across the AO's portfolio."



Most Time consuming, highest risk, most subjective, and least "managed" component of the RMF process – fully reliant on the skill and experience of the assessor and validator.

Biggest opportunity for cost savings and reduction – standardizing through inheritance saves 3 hours per procedure per system

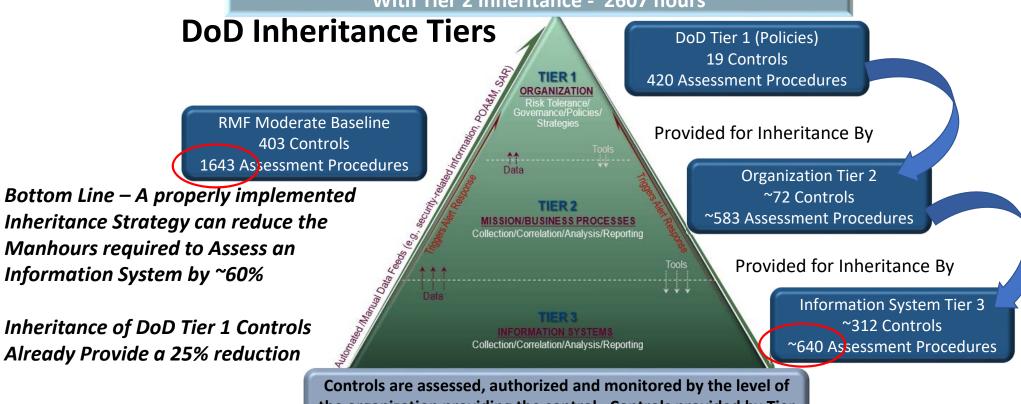
Perhaps we missed something......

Mapping each control to the level of the organization responsible for its implementation

INHERITANCE!!!

Inheritance – A Key Concept in the Value Proposition

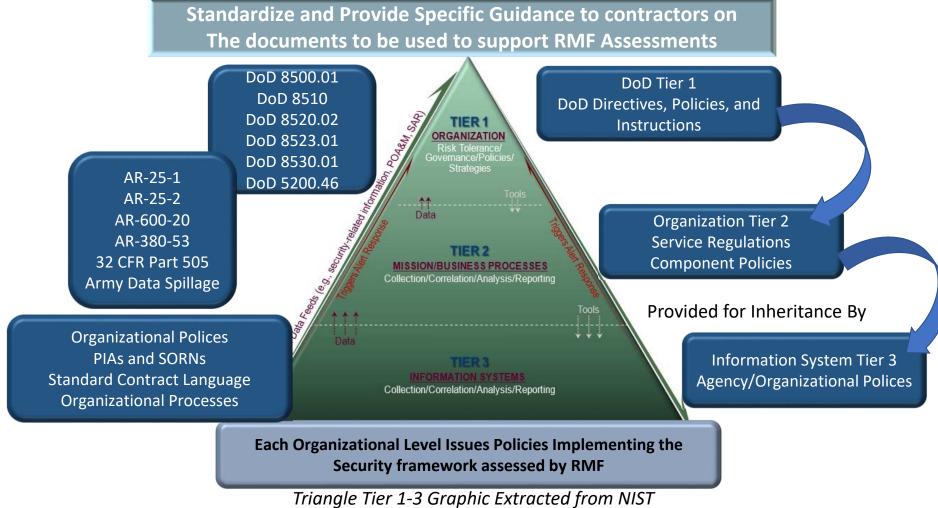
Level of effort without Tier 2 Inheritance - 4557 hours
With Tier 2 Inheritance - 2607 hours



Controls are assessed, authorized and monitored by the level of the organization providing the control. Controls provided by Tier 1 and 2 are "inherited" by Tier 3.

Triangle Tier 1-3 Graphic Extracted from NIST

Mapping Controls to Organizational Implementation



An Example – Privacy Families

- 8 Privacy Families Total of 28 Controls Total of 177 Assessment Procedures
- Key supporting Documents Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) and System of Records Notice (SORN)
 - PIA and SORN formats and the required information provided in each section is consistent
 - Assessment procedure can be answered by referencing the appropriate PIA section ex. "PIA Section 2h explicitly identifies all DoD and non-DoD organizations with whom PII is shared."
 - PIAs and SORNs are formally reviewed and approved. A signed PIA/SORN ensures the information contained in the document is compliant.
- Key Official Senior Agency Official for Privacy (SAOP)/Chief Privacy Officer (CPO) Consistent for every Army system — Source OSD Memo for Appointment of a SAOP for Privacy
- Current Method of RMF Package Prep Assessed at the system level
- Proposed methods
 - Method 1 -- Create a Privacy Specific System of Record at the Tier 3 level to standardize assessments
 - Added advantage "Inherited" controls are not "validated" during a SCA-V assessment if the inheritance is valid, the control status is accepted validate once use many times for N/C controls POA&M is tracked by SOR and inherited
 - Method 2 Create a Standard Set of Test results and provided to each system owner for import into their package
 - Risk A standard set of test results will be validated by each SCA-V team this subjects the same result to the "opinion" of multiple validators with the potential for multiple results to the same answer
 - For N/C controls each system must maintain a POA&M and manually track the resolution

A Tale of Two ATOs – What Can Go Wrong

AR-2.1 Assessment Procedure
The organization documents a
privacy risk management process
which assesses the privacy risk to
individuals..

DoD Supplemental Guidance Organizational privacy risk management processes operate across the life cycles of all mission/business processes that collect, use, maintain, share, or dispose of PII. The tools and processes for managing risk are specific to organizational missions and resources. They include, but are not limited to, the conduct of PIAs. The PIA is both a process and the document that is the outcome of that process. OMB Memorandum 03-22 provides guidance to organizations for implementing the privacy provisions of the E-**Government Act of 2002, including** guidance on when PIAs are required for information systems.

TEST RESULTS System 1
Follows Army guidance provided through the Army Privacy Office.
Army Privacy Regulation 32 CFR 505.
System has a PIA and SORN in place providing specific guidance for meeting privacy regulations and policies. PIA Section 2g, 3f and SORN Narrative Section 4 identifies and assesses privacy risk to individuals

VALIDATOR RESPONSE

The organization was compliant with this CCI. Follows Army guidance provided through the Army Privacy Office. Army Privacy Regulation 32 CFR 505. PIA and SORN in place providing specific guidance for meeting privacy regulations and policies. Specific privacy implementation guidance also provided on the Army Privacy Program Web page. Risk management addressed in PIA Section 2g.

Successful SCA-V Assessment ATO Granted

Assessors and Validators agreed 98% of the time

TEST RESULTS System 2
PISSM has determined this CCI
compliant because the Privacy
Control document identifies in
paragraph 4 the privacy risk
management process which assesses
the privacy risk to individuals

VALIDATOR RESPONSE

CCI-003417 DC- Organization did not document a risk management process for privacy that assessed the privacy risk to individuals from collecting, sharing, storing, transmitting, using, and disposing Personally Identifiable Information (PII)

The guidance provided by RMF documents compliance is in the PIA – System 1 used The PIA to support the assessment, linking the PIA to the control. System 2 created an Additional document but did not accurately list the document name and linked 3 additional Documents to the control – the SCA-V could not use the PIA although it was linked

since The original assessor did not identify it as the basis for compliance.

SCA-V Assessment Suspended
Package returned for re-work after
100 controls self- assessed as
compliant were invalidated by the
SCA-V Team

Assessors identified only
2 controls as N/C – after
assessing 40% of the
controls Validators
assessed 102 controls as
N/C

The Inheritance Dividend – POA&Ms......

One Non-Compliant Control -> POA&M

A Tier 2 finding for an organization with 30 systems in their portfolio would track the issue with 1 POA&M if they were providing the N/C control for inheritance instead of 30 POA&Ms at the system level

- POA&Ms are mapped to the organizational level capable of resolving the issue
- Organizational, issue driven POA&Ms are instantiated once Resolution impacts many
- Organizational POA&Ms cost less to manage Estimate of \$1000 Annual cost to maintain each POA&M
 - Labor hours expended annually tracking, researching, meeting time, reporting, etc.
 - Today 30 POA&Ms generated for an organizational issue -- \$30K to maintain
 - Under RMF 1 POA&M generated issue specific, assigned to the POC capable of executing a resolution -- \$1K to maintain
- Once resolved, the resolution is inherited in eMASS Implementation of Continuous Monitoring/Continuous Resolution

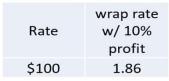
Benefits: Reduced Cost, Risk Mapped to Organizational Level, Information System Owner's focus on System Level Vulnerabilities, Provides the foundation for Policy/Procedural Alignment with Risk

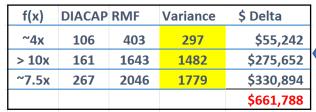
*** Steady Reduction in the number of "Testable Actions" in A&A efforts ***

Creating Checks and Balances for Inheritance

- Inheritance Approval is controlled by the SOR Owner and can be revoked
- Careful selection of the specific Assessment Procedures provided will create a "shared" implementation between SOR owners and Information System Owners
- Organizing SORs around s specific organizational policy or practice allows common control providers to tailor inheritance for each information system – develop multiple SORs
 - For example Human Resources Command uses a single SORN for multiple PII systems in its portfolio An SOR validated through the SORN, approved system PIAs, and standard Army regulations could be built with the caveat that a system requesting inheritance must submit their approved PIA to add to the package. The SOR owner would not grant inheritance until the PIA is received SOR owner would be able to track 2 year updated requirement, revoking inheritance for any system not keeping their PIA current
- Use the Assessment Procedures to create check and balance DoD breaks down controls into CCIs – map CCIs to ISO and the organization as appropriate
 - Ex. PL-2 (Develop a System Security Plan) consists of 19 CCIs
 - 3 are inherited from DoD Tier 1
 - CCI 3049 The organization develops a security plan for the information system is met through eMASS and could be inherited
 - CCI 3051 The organization's security plan for the information system explicitly defines the authorization boundary for the system is provided by the ISO and should be assessed by the system ISSO
 - Mapping CCIs (Assessment Procedures) correctly allows ISOs to demonstrate compliance to an organizational policy without assessing the compliance of the policy itself – this would be completed at the Tier 2 or Tier 3 level

Cost Drivers for RMF Implementation





Difference in transitioning from DIACAP to RMF

3-Year Cost – No Inheritance \$2,133,420 for one program

3-year DIACAP cycle \$1,471,632 for one program

Initial	1	Subsequent Years			
RMF .75	ATO	1/2 p	er year		1/2 per year
302	\$ 56,219	\$	28,109	\$	28,109
1232	\$ 687,596	\$	171,899	\$	171,899
1535	\$ 285,417	\$	142,709	\$	142,709
	\$1,029,231	\$	342,717	\$	342,717
				\$	1,714,664

A representative RMF program w/ DoD Tier 1 inheritance

= \$1,714,664 for one program

Inheritance Tier 1 & 2 Initial Subsequent Years ATO **RMF.40** 1/2 por yoar 1/2 por year 161 29,983 14,992 **\$ 14,992** 657 **\$** 366,718 61,120 **\$** 61,120 818 152,222 **\$** 76,111 76,111 548,923 152,222 152,222 \$ 853,368

A representative RMF program w/Tier 1/2 inheritance

= \$853,368 for one program

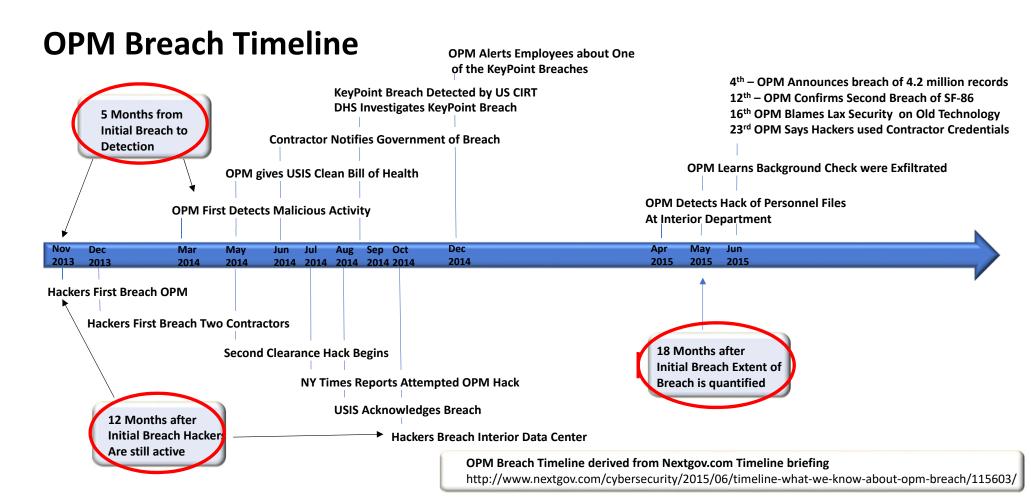
Summary

- Inheritance is an effective tool to accomplish the following
 - Map controls to the organizational entity responsible for their implementation
 - Standardize assessment and implementation of organizational controls Assess once and results are consistently applied across all of the organization's systems – AOs have the ability to discern organizational risk from individual system risk
 - Provide standard guidance to contractors executing RMF assessments to drive down cost through elimination of contract risk – for example, identifying a standard inheritance package for DoD Tier 1 controls (~20-25% of the total number of assessment procedures in a package)
 - Implement Continuous Monitoring tie maintenance of Systems of Record to policy and procedure updates – use control assessments and POA&Ms to track deficiencies and schedule required reviews/updates
 - Provide continual updates to each system's package when organizational control compliance is updated, officials change, or new policies are identified and implemented for example appointment of a new AO. Using inheritance, each system would automatically have the new AO's appointment letter and information updated to their package through a single update of the associated organizational control.
- The cost of building and maintaining one or more SORs is recovered after inheritance is provided to 2 systems. Successive inheritance is direct cost savings.

The "Holy Grail" – Continuous Monitoring

Replace the current "snapshot in time" 3-year Certification and Accreditation (C&A) Cycle with Ongoing Assessment — Quantify risk in real time

Why Does Continuous Monitoring Matter? The OPM Breach was Preventable



What is Continuous Monitoring?

- Step 6 of the Risk Management Framework
- NIST Definition
- SANS Definition



Extracted from NIST SP 800-137

Defining Continuous Monitoring

National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) 800-137 is the U.S. government's guide to "Information Security Continuous Monitoring for Federal Information Systems and Organizations." It defines continuous monitoring as:

"...ongoing awareness of information security, vulnerabilities, and threats to support organizational risk management decisions....The terms 'continuous' and 'ongoing' in this context mean that security controls and organizational risks are assessed and analyzed at a frequency sufficient to support risk-based security decisions to adequately protect organization information. Data collection, no matter how frequent, is performed at discrete intervals."

The SANS simplified version of this is to:

- · Establish and measure meaningful security metrics
- · Monitor those metrics frequently enough to minimize incident impact
- Take action rapidly, efficiently and effectively to improve overall security

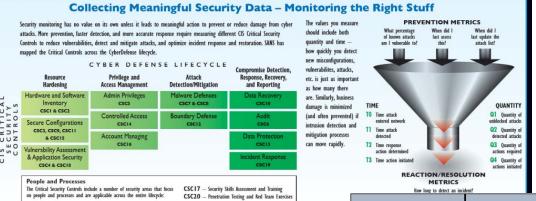
The CIS Critical Security Controls have proven to be an effective starting point for selecting key security metrics. A frequent question is "how frequently is continuous?" NIST 800-137 points to yet another complex document, SP 800-37 "Guide for Applying the Risk Management Framework to Federal Information Systems" for a risk-based methodology for making this decision. But there is an easier way.

Frequency (FedRAMP)	800-53 Control	CIS Critical Security Control		
Continuous and Ongoing	Auditable Events	(6) Maintenance, Monitoring, Analysis of Logs		
	Component Inventory	(I) Inventory of Devices		
	Incident Reporting	(19) Incident Response and Management		
	Vulnerability Scanning	(4) Continuous Vulnerability Assessment & Remediation		
Weekly	Audit Review, Report	(6) Maintenance, Monitoring, Analysis of Logs		
Monthly	Vulnerability Scanning	(4) Continuous Vulnerability Assessment & Remediation		
	Securing State Monitoring	(6) Maintenance, Monitoring, Analysis of Logs		
	Flaw Remediation	(3) Secure Configurations		
	Software/Info Integrity	(2) Software Inventory		
	Least Functionality	(9) Limitation & Control of Network Ports, Services		

A simpler approach: The GSA Federal Risk and Authorization Program (FedRAMP) has established continuous monitoring guidelines for certifying and monitoring cloud services as being secure enough for unclassified use by federal government agencies. FedRAMP defines which security controls should be monitored monthly, weekly, or on an ongoing basis (as frequently as possible, or driven by changes.)

Extracted from SANS Top 20 Critical Control Poster 2016

Inheritance Impact on Continuous Monitoring



~65% of the RMF Assessment
Are met through documentation
Many of these are already monitored
And are excellent inheritance candidates

Extracted from SANS
Top 20 Critical Control Poster 2016

Only ~10% of the RMF Assessment Are met through technical capabilities Integrated w/the system

Туре	Examples	Frequency of Update	Method of Monitoring	% of Assessment Procedures	Responsible Party
Documentation	- Management - Management	Annual - Every 3 Years	External to System	~50%	Organization/ISO
Documentation	Policies, System Documentation	Allitual - Every 3 fears	External to system	30%	Organization/150
	Operating Procedures, Rules of				
	Behavior, Access Procedures,				
	Acquisition, Configuration			/	
Process and Procedure	Management	As required - Annual Review	External to System	~15%	Organization/ISO
	Disaster Recovery, Incident	362	41		
Testing	Response, Failover	Monthly - Annual	External to System	<4%	ISO
	Cyber, Incident Response, System		11		
Training	Recovery	As required - Annual Review	External to System	<3%	Organization/ISO
	Configuration Settings, Security	100	17		1777
Technical	Policies	Ongoing, by exception	System Monitoring	~10%	ISO
Technical	Encryption, PKI, Network Security	Ongoing, by exception	External to System	<3%	Hosting Environment
	Facilities, Utilities, Telecom,				
Physical	Physical Security	Ongoing, as required	External to System	~10%	Hosting Environment
		Ongoing, respond to emerging			
Vulnerability	Threats, system flaws, patching	threat	System Monitoring	<4%	ISO
		Approximate % of Controls for Continuous Monitoring by the ISO 10% or			

Contract Strategy Considerations - PERFORMANCE

- ➤ Does the program have executive-level support for Agile development?
- > Is the program considered high risk?
 - O What level of risk is the government willing to accept?
- Does the current political environment drive the use of a particular contract type or vehicle?
- What is the level of contracting support?
 - Oboos the KO office have standardized processes available?
 - O Are Gvmt resources available to actively manage contractor support?
 - o Imbed or centrally located at base?

Contract Strategy Considerations - SCHEDULE

- ➤ Who is responsible for systems integration?
 - ➤ What level of integration is required?
 - ➤ What is the level of integration risk if multiple contractors conduct parallel developments?
- What is the overall development timeline?
 - What is the frequency of releases?

Contract Strategy Considerations - COST

- Can the program leverage established contract vehicles portfolio, enterprise, or external level?
 - > Are other, similar programs currently using or thinking of pursuing Agile?
- Is an Agile process well defined or already in place within the government PMO?
- Did market research (FAR Part 10) identify available qualified contractors with Agile and domain experience?
- Are GSA schedules 70 or 18-F available for use?

Summary and Clarifying Questions

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