October is Cybersecurity Awareness Month

CISA and the National Cyber Security Alliance are highlighting different aspects of what it takes to realize the campaign’s overarching theme: Do Your Part. #Be Cyber Smart.

- **Week 1 (October 4-8): Be Cyber Smart**: Take simple actions to keep our digital lives secure.
- **Week 2 (October 11-15): Phight the Phish!**: Learn how to spot phishing attempts to prevent ransomware and other malware attacks.
- **Week 3 (October 18-22): Explore. Experience. Share**: Learn how to jump start a cyber career or take your next professional step.
- **Week 4 (October 25-29): Cybersecurity First**: Explore the importance of cybersecurity and staying safe online in today’s interconnected world.

Follow CISA on social media (@CISAgov) for tips and tools throughout the month that highlight each of the weekly messages. CISA is also sharing tools and resources on the Cybersecurity Awareness Month page.

Throughout Cybersecurity Awareness Month, the Cyber Readiness Institute (CRI) is also issuing this challenge: Pledge to do one small thing every week to develop good cyber habits that will help form the foundation for a culture of cyber readiness. Take the #CRIChallenge and encourage your network of followers to challenge a friend, colleague, or employer to do one small thing each day to improve their cyber readiness (example: update all your software).

Share the CRI tips with a person or organization you think needs to know the basic steps to take to #BeCyberReady to take part in Cybersecurity Awareness Month!
CISA is Hosting 4th Annual National Cybersecurity Summit

This virtual event brings critical infrastructure stakeholders together in a forum for meaningful conversations and collaboration on cybersecurity, with presentations focused on vulnerability management, partnerships, cyber workforce development, and the convergence of security domains and cyber-physical risk management efforts.

Each week features presentations on a different theme. This year’s themes are:

- Oct. 6: Assembly Required: The Pieces of the Vulnerability Management Ecosystem
- Oct. 13: Collaborating for the Collective Defense
- Oct. 20: Team Awesome: The Cyber Workforce
- Oct. 27: The Cyber/Physical Convergence

Learn More Here

CISA Will Host Webinar Series on the New JCDC

Introduction to the Joint Cyber Defense Collaborative for Industry Partners, October 26, 2021

CISA will be hosting the virtual Introduction to the Joint Cyber Defense Collaborative for Industry Partners webinar on Tuesday, October 26, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. ET. Join this webinar to learn more about how CISA’s unified cyber defense planning and operations with industry partners help forge a more resilient Nation.

Register Here

Introduction to the Joint Cyber Defense Collaborative for SLTT Partners, October 28, 2021

CISA will be hosting the virtual Introduction to the Joint Cyber Defense Collaborative for SLTT Partners webinar on Thursday, October 28, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. ET. Join this webinar to learn more about how CISA’s unified cyber defense planning and operations with SLTT partners helps forge a more resilient Nation.

Register Here
CISA Webinar Teaches how to Prevent Emerging Technologies from Disrupting Emergency Communications

On September 22, CISA partnered with the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) on the Implementing the National Emergency Communications Plan (NECP) webinar. More than 385 participants attended the webinar to learn about how innovative technologies are rapidly evolving and the importance of planning for the integration of these advancements.

The webinar provided guidance from the NECP’s Goal 5 – Technology and Infrastructure on how organizations are encouraged to take a wholistic approach to planning for the integration of emerging technologies.

The NECP recommends organizations advance new technologies through governance, standard operating procedures, training and exercises.

Learn More Here

Register Today for the 2021 Chemical Security Seminars

Register today for the virtual 2021 Chemical Security Seminars to be held on December 1, 8, and 15, 2021, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. ET. Please visit the website for more information, including a preliminary agenda.

Learn More Here

CISA Releases New Graphic Novels Trailers

CISA is excited to share two videos showcasing its Resilience Series graphic novels.

Inspired by real events, both Real Fake and Bug Bytes demonstrate the dangers and risks associated with dis- and misinformation, and how threat actors capitalize on political and social issues to spread inaccurate information to targeted audiences to cause chaos, confusion, and division.
Events

**Partner Webinar: Cybersecurity in Public Safety**
Join NIST for a webinar on developing and enhancing security solutions to current and future public safety communications.

**Date:** October 21, 2021
**Time:** 11:00 a.m. ET

Learn More Here

**Webinar: Addressing the Ransomware Threat to Emergency Communications**
Join CISA for a webinar on addressing the ransomware threat to emergency communications.

**Date:** October 26, 2021
**Time:** 1:00 p.m. ET

Learn More Here

**Webinar: Supply Chain Risk Management Strategies for State & Local Government**
Join CISA for a webinar on supply chain risk reduction strategies, lessons learned from recent cyber supply chain events, and best practices for organizations – including state and local governments.

**Date:** November 17, 2021
**Time:** 12:00 p.m. ET

Learn More Here

Featured Programs and Resources
CISA Releases New Insights on Mitigating Chain of Custody and Third-Party Risks

The CISA Insights publication, Risk Considerations for Managed Service Provider (MSP) Customers, provides a framework that government and private sector organizations (to include small and medium-sized businesses) outsourcing some level of IT support to MSPs can use to better mitigate against third-party risk. To learn more, read CISA’s blog: Going Beyond: Assessing Security Practices Of IT Service Providers.

The CISA Insights publication, Chain of Custody and Critical Infrastructure Systems, provides an overview of what chain of custody is, highlights the potential impacts and risks resulting from a broken chain of custody, and offers critical infrastructure owners and operators an initial framework for securing chain of custody for their physical and digital assets.

CISA Releases Navajo Translation of the Employee Vigilance Through the Power of Hello

CISA extended its outreach to indigenous tribal communities across the Southwestern US by releasing the Employee Vigilance Through the Power of Hello placemat translated in the Navajo language. The placemat is translated in 14 languages to raise public awareness about all aspects of suspicious behavior and describes potential suspicious activities posed by insiders.

Recognizing that security and safety is a shared responsibility amongst all employees, the Power of Hello features the "OHNO approach - Observe, Initiate a hello, Navigate the risk, and Obtain help."

CISA Releases New Bombing Prevention Videos

CISA has launched three videos that provide guidance about the steps the public and businesses should take to recognize and report suspicious activity in order to help prevent a bombing incident.

The free videos are available on YouTube. They include:

“Be Vigilant – Vigilant Neighbor” – A young woman realizes that her neighbors have recently shown signs of suspicious behavior that led to a bombing at the local high school. She reports her neighbors to the authorities, leading to their arrest.

“Be Vigilant – Vigilant Manager” – A store manager realizes that he could have prevented the high school bombing by reporting items recently stolen from his inventory.

“Be Vigilant – Vigilant Employee” – Two employees remember a customer who purchased more chemicals than usual and behaved suspiciously. Had they known about
the possible nefarious usage of their store’s products, they could have reported the suspicious purchases and prevented the bombing attack.

CISA Releases New Autonomous Ground Vehicle Security Guide

CISA recently released a new resource: *Autonomous Ground Vehicle (AGV) Security Guide: Transportation Systems Sector*. This guide is an example of CISA’s commitment to helping our partners manage risks posed by advanced threats. CISA created this guide to help Chief Security Officers (CSOs) and Chief Information Security Officers (CISOs) within the Transportation Systems Sector identify risks related to autonomous ground vehicles and develop risk mitigation strategies.

To access this resource and/or learn more about AGV security and CISA’s resources, visit: [Autonomous Ground Vehicle Security Guide: Transportation Systems Sector](#).

CISA Releases New Resources for Reporting CFATS Cyber Incidents

CISA has released a new webpage and fact sheet—CFATS: Reporting Cyber Incidents—to help high-risk CFATS facilities identify critical cyber systems and know how and when to report significant cyber incidents.

For questions, please contact your local Chemical Security Inspector (CSI) or email CFATS@hq.dhs.gov.

In Case You Missed It

- [Control Systems Goals and Objectives](#) | CISA
- [CISA and Girls Who Code Announce Partnership to Create Career Pathways for Young Women in Cybersecurity and Technology](#) | CISA

Social Media

Help CISA spread the word about upcoming events and new resources by sharing the following posts via your social media channels. Thank you for your support!

- Tune into the 4th annual National Cybersecurity Summit every Wednesday this month. Register here: [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/4th-annual-national-cybersecurity-summit-tickets-169672754777](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/4th-annual-national-cybersecurity-summit-tickets-169672754777)
- Want to learn more about registering for a .gov domain? CISA has a new fact sheet: [https://www.cisa.gov/publication/dotgov-domain-fact-sheet](https://www.cisa.gov/publication/dotgov-domain-fact-sheet)
@CISAgov is dedicated to raising awareness about the importance of cybersecurity. Learn more about Cybersecurity Awareness Month here: https://www.cisa.gov/cybersecurity-awareness-month

To access past editions of this CISA Community Bulletin newsletter, please visit the [CISA Community Bulletin archive](https://www.cisa.gov/cybersecurity-awareness-month).