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What are the major requirements of the Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification for DoD contractors and subcontractors?

In response to the repeated attacks on the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) supply chain, the release of the Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) introduces a verification mechanism that will ensure the necessary security mechanisms are in place to better protect Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI) and other sensitive data made available to contractor organizations. CMMC was developed from the contributions of multiple organizations and entities, including the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and... [READ MORE](#)



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The Case for a National Cybersecurity Safety Board

DATE:

November 4, 2021

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PRESENTED BY:

Christopher Hart, Scott Shackelford

HOST:

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VOICE FROM THE COMMUNITY

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Dr. Gowing is a full-time professor at LeTourneau University, having earned his Ph.D. in computer information systems and specializing in cybersecurity, at Nova Southeastern University. His research interests and experience include malware, penetration testing, reverse-engineering, and forensics. He has experience with multiple processor architectures and operating systems and is currently researching ways to take control of remotely piloted aircraft to protect U.S. troops and our borders from hostile actors. He is a Federal Aviation Administration-certificated commercial drone pilot.

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HIGHLIGHT

Department of Defense publishes Cyber Table Top Guide Version 2.0

The Cyber Table Top (CTT) method is a type of mission-based, cyber risk assessment that defense programs can use to produce actionable information on potential cyber threats across a system’s acquisition life cycle. Actionable information includes potential system vulnerabilities, demonstrated means of exploitation of those vulnerabilities, and an assessment of the resulting mission impacts. CTT is a tool intended to increase understanding of the cyber warfare domain for any system (i.e., business, logistic, or weapon system) in a mission context to help programs better allocate engineering and testing resources.

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U.S. Air Force and University Scientists Share Their Vision for Unconventional Computing

Conventional computing hardware represents information as ones and zeros, depending on the state of electronic transistors. This creates artificial bottlenecks in the flow of information processing by first requiring that environmental loads be converted into an electronic state and second by routing the information to centralized computers for processing. Researchers from Wright-Patterson’s Air Force Research Laboratory, along with collaborators from the University of Pennsylvania, University of York and... [READ MORE](#)

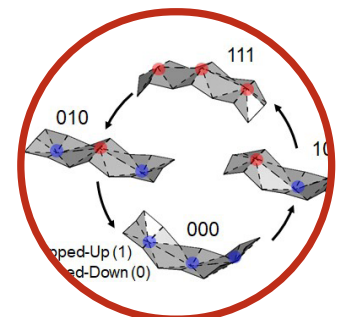


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In the wake of a series of destabilizing and damaging cyberattacks, there has been a growing call for the U.S. government to establish an analogue of the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) to investigate cyberattacks. As we recently argued in a letter to the Wall Street Journal, we think that it is past time for such a move. The SolarWinds hack, for example, highlights many vulnerabilities that have gone unaddressed for too long. First, it shows that the nation’s approach to supply chain cybersecurity is notoriously inadequate. Second, it demonstrates that a go-it-alone strategy to cybersecurity risk management is doomed to failure. Cybersecurity firm FireEye’s coming forward helped ring the alarm that U.S. early-warning sensors reportedly missed. Third, it highlights the extent to which our nation’s critical infrastructure remains vulnerable, despite decades of efforts aimed at improving our defenses. [LEARN MORE](#)



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