



Information Security Policy

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2.1 Purpose

This policy provides the foundation for the State of Utah, Division of Technology Services (DTS) enterprise security policy. The scope of the enterprise security policy is based on the 18 security framework domains defined in the State of Utah security control framework as listed below:

- 2.4.1 – Security Planning
- 2.4.2 – Program Management
- 2.4.3 – Risk Assessment
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- 2.4.17 – Identification and Authentication
- 2.4.18 – System and Communication Protection
- 2.4.19 – Continuous Monitoring
- 2.4.20 – Supply Chain

The Security Framework includes requirements from the following sources : NIST (National Institute for Standards and Technologies, HITECH (Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health), HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act), PCI (Payment Card Industry), NACHA (The Electronic Payments Association), FERPA (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act), HITRUST (Health Information Trust Alliance) StateRAMP dba GovRAMP, and Executive Branch Agency Policies. See Section 2.2 for a description of each of these standards and regulations.

2.1.1 Background

This policy was developed in response to a comprehensive external audit involving all executive branch agencies and the enterprise network. The audit revealed security deficiencies not properly addressed in previous policy and standards documents. The Enterprise Information Security Office will provide management commitment, will coordinate executive branch agency compliance efforts, and will maintain a list of compliance deficiencies.

The Enterprise Information Security Policy will develop and establish essential and proper controls to minimize security risk; to meet due diligence requirements pursuant to applicable state and federal regulations; to enforce contractual obligations; and to protect the State's electronic information and information technology assets.

2.1.2 Scope

This policy applies to all executive branch agencies.

2.1.3 Exceptions

The Chief Information Officer, or authorized designee, may acknowledge that under rare circumstances, some associates may need to employ systems that are not compliant with these policy objectives. The Chief Information Officer, or authorized designee, must approve in writing all such instances.

In such instances, a security justification for non-compliance must be established and the request for exemption must be approved in advance through a risk acceptance process. This risk acceptance process requires approval by the Chief Information Officer.

2.1.4 Annual Review

In order to ensure that this policy is current and effective, DTS will review the policy annually and will make changes as needed.

2.2 Definitions

Executive Branch Agency Policies

Executive branch agencies have the authority to establish internal policies related to information security objectives specific to the executive branch agency. Executive branch agency policies must be compatible with enterprise security policy, as well as federal and state statutory regulations.

Availability

Maintaining users access to data without unplanned interruptions. The availability of system and data access for approved users and business processes is one of the primary objectives of the information security triad; including confidentiality, integrity, and availability.

Chief Administrative Officer or CAO

Means the same as defined in Utah Code § 63A-12-100.5.

Chief Information Officer or CIO

Means the chief information officer appointed under Section 63A-16-201.

Chief Privacy Officer or CPO

Means the individual appointed under Section 63A-19-302.

Confidentiality

The concept of only allowing authorized users and processes to access data required for their duties. The confidentiality of data and protected information is one of the primary objectives of the information security triad; including confidentiality, integrity, and availability.

DTS

Means the Division of Technology Services created in Utah Code § 63A-16-103.

Encryption

Cryptographic transformation of data (called “clear text”) into a form (called “ciphertext”) that conceals the data’s original meaning to prevent it from being known or used by an unauthorized person. If the transformation is reversible, the corresponding reversal process is called “decryption”, which is a transformation that restores encrypted data to its original state.

Executive Branch Agency

Means the same as defined in Utah Code § 63A-16-102.



FERPA

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act found at 20 U.S.C. § 1232g.

HIPAA

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act found at 42 U.S.C. § 1320.

HITECH

Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health found at 42 USC sec 139w-4(0)(2), subtitle D, part 1, sec 13409.

HITRUST

Health Information Trust Alliance

Information Asset

All hardware, software, processes, and data used in the State of Utah operations.

Information System Resource

All network devices (routers, switches, firewalls, etc.), operating systems, database management systems, or applications used to manage or control access to State of Utah electronic information.

Integrity

The principle of ensuring the completeness and accuracy of data. The integrity of data and protected information is one of the primary objectives of the information security triad; including confidentiality, integrity, and availability.

Information Technology

Means the same as defined in Utah Code § 63A-16-102.

NACHA

The Electronic Payments Association

NIST

National Institute for Standards and Technologies

Personal Data

Means the same as defined in Utah Code § 63A-19-101.

Privacy Impact Assessment or PIA

An analysis of how personal data is processed by information technology to ensure that processing conforms with applicable privacy requirements and assists in identifying privacy risks that may need to be



mitigated. A PIA is both an analysis and a formal document that details the process and outcome of the analysis.

PCI

Payment Card Industry

Public Networks

Networks that are shared by multiple unrelated users and where physical access to the infrastructure is not controlled by the State. Typically, these networks are considered untrusted. The Internet is the largest public network.

Risk Assessment

A process by which risks are identified and the impact of those risks are determined. Additionally, a process whereby cost-effective security/control measures may be selected by balancing the costs of various security/control measures against the losses that would be expected if these measures were not in place.

Secure-Coding Methodology

Programmatic efforts implemented to identify and minimize vulnerabilities related to software development and data processing.

StateRAMP dba GovRAMP

Provides a standardized approach to security assessment, authorization, and continuous monitoring for cloud products and services used by state and local governments, public education institutions, and special districts enabling these organizations to validate the security of their third-party IaaS (Infrastructure as a Service), PaaS (Platform as a Service), and/or SaaS (Software as a Service) solutions which process, transmit, store the organization's data or which could impact data security GovRAMP's security verification model is based on NIST 800-53 Rev. 5 published by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).

2.3 Roles and Responsibilities

A clear distinction between the responsibilities of the Data Owner and the Data Custodian is necessary for effective Enterprise Security. DTS, as the Data Custodian, is responsible for reviewing the data classification levels based on Federal and State security requirements on a regular basis with executive branch agencies. DTS is also responsible to provide a secure environment for protection of the State's data assets. Executive branch agencies, as the Data Owners, are responsible to apply the data classification levels to data assets and to identify specific requirements for systems that are used/retained to perform the executive branch agency's mandated duties. Specific duties include the following:

DTS:

- Security product and process engineering and operations
- Security/threat risk identification and consultation
- Security Operations Center (SOC) activities including:
 - Threat monitoring



- Threat analysis
- Threat Reporting
- Firewall request analysis
- Security end user training
- Participate in security risk assessments

Executive Branch Agency:

- Classification of data
- Identification of security and privacy requirements for data stores
- Identification and analysis of security and privacy regulations for data stores
- Security and privacy audit liaisons related to the executive branch agency's data stores
- Documenting security controls in the executive branch agency's System Security Plan
- Document and approve security risk assessments
- Analysis and acceptance of risks identified for a data store
- Training specific to data stores for the executive branch agency
- Continuity of Operations (COOP) planning for the executive branch agency's data stores

Additional Information:

Data Classification Procedure

2.4 Policy

2.4.1 Security Planning

Summary: The objective of system security planning is to improve the protection of information system resources. All State of Utah information systems have some level of sensitivity and require protection. The protection of an information system will be documented in a system security plan.

Purpose: The purpose of the system security plan is to provide an overview of the security requirements of the system and describe the controls in place or planned for meeting those requirements.

Policy Objectives: DTS will document all information systems annually and coordinate with each executive branch agency IT Director to develop and implement a Security Plan for each system consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-18 Revision 1 and Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # PL-2 (Page 193).

Security Control Standards:

[NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)

Additional Information:

[NIST SP 800-18: Guide for Developing Security Plans for Information Systems](#)

2.4.2 Program Management

Summary: The selection and implementation of appropriate security controls for an information system or a system-of-systems are important tasks that can have major implications on the operations and assets of an executive branch agency as well as the welfare of individuals and the general public. Security



controls are the management, operational, and technical safeguards or countermeasures employed within enterprise information systems to protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the system and its information.

Purpose: The purpose of Security Program Management is to appropriately address the following questions:

What security controls are needed to adequately mitigate the risk incurred by the use of information and information systems in the execution of organizational missions and business functions?

Have selected security controls been implemented or is there a realistic plan for their implementation?

Are the selected security controls, as implemented, effective in their application?

Policy Objectives: DTS will identify and monitor on an ongoing basis, risks arising from the use of information and information systems, and report on the effectiveness of existing security controls to executive branch agency IT Directors and senior management in the Department of Technology Services, consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # PM-1 (Page 193) and Special Publication 800-122.;lk

Security Control Standards:

[NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)

Additional Information:

[NIST SP 800-122: Guide to Protecting the Confidentiality of Personally Identifiable Information \(PII\)](#)

2.4.2.1 Program Management-System Inventory

Summary: An inventory of systems and applications that process state records, including personal data, supports the mapping of data actions and record series, providing individuals with privacy notices, maintaining accurate personal data, limiting the processing of personal data when such information is not needed for operational purposes, and for the completion of required privacy impact assessments. Organizations may use this inventory to ensure that systems only process the personal data for authorized purposes and that this processing is still relevant and necessary for the purpose specified therein.

Purpose: The State of Utah is required by state and federal regulations to complete risk assessments, including both privacy and security, on information technology that may process state and/or federal data. An inventory of all systems that may process state data is necessary to ensure that all systems are reasonably accounted for and to enable proper classification and prioritization of systems to complete required assessments.

Policy Objectives: Executive branch agencies must develop and maintain an inventory of all information technology that may process state or federal data for which the State owns or is responsible for, consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publications 800-53 Rev5 Control # PM-5 and PM-5(1) (Page 233).

DTS shall provide a standard process in which DTS and executive branch agencies shall implement and maintain the inventory.



Security Control Standards:

[NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security and Privacy Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)

2.4.3 Risk Assessment

Summary: An effective risk assessment process is an important component of a successful enterprise security program. The principal goal of an enterprise risk assessment process should be to protect executive branch agencies and their ability to perform their mission, not just their information assets. Therefore, the risk assessment process should not be treated primarily as a technical function carried out by DTS who operate and manage the information systems, but as an essential management function of the executive branch agency itself.

Purpose: The purpose of performing a risk assessment is to enable the executive branch agency to accomplish its mission;

- by better securing information systems that store, process, or transmit executive branch agency information;
- by enabling management to make well-informed risk management decisions;
- to justify the expenditures related to information security; and,
- by assisting management in authorizing (or accrediting) the information systems on the basis of the supporting documentation resulting from the performance of a risk assessment.

Policy Objectives: Executive branch agencies must periodically assess the risk to organizational operations (including mission, functions, image, or reputation), organizational assets, and individuals, resulting from the operation of enterprise information systems and the associated processing, storage, or transmission of organizational information, consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publications 800-30, 800-30 Revision 1, 800-39, Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # RA-1-5 (Page 238), and State of Utah Enterprise Standard 5000-0300-S1, Security Vulnerability Assessments Standard

Security Control Standards:

- [NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)
- [DTS 5000-0300-S1: Security Vulnerability Assessments Standard](#)

Additional Information:

- [NIST SP 800-30: Risk Management Guide for Information Technology Systems](#)
- [NIST SP 800-30 R1: Guide for Conducting Risk Assessments](#)
- [NIST SP 800-39: Managing Information Security Risk](#)

2.4.3.1 Privacy Impact Assessments

Summary: As provided by Subsection 63A-16-205(2), the CIO is authorized to adopt a policy that outlines the procedures that must be followed by executive branch agencies to facilitate the implementation of the executive branch strategic plan created under Section 63A-16-202. This policy establishes requirements for executive branch agencies designed to protect the privacy of individuals who use state information technology.



Purpose: All executive branch agencies shall complete a privacy impact assessment for all information technology that may process personal data. The PIA is the mechanism by which executive branch agencies ensure the information technology can meet applicable privacy requirements and the privacy rights of individuals are protected prior to processing personal data.

Policy Objectives: Executive branch agencies must complete a privacy impact assessment for all information technology that may process personal data before:

- Developing or procuring new information technology that process personal data and/or
- Initiating a new collection or processing activity of personal data in existing information technology.

Consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # RA08 (Page 273).

The Chief Privacy Officer will create and maintain a standard privacy impact assessment template that is approved by the Chief Information Officer. The Chief Administrative Officer for each executive branch agency shall ensure that a PIA is completed and shall maintain copies of the PIAs for a minimum of four years.

Security Control Standards:

[NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)

2.4.4 Security Assessment and Authorization

Summary: In today's environment where many, if not all, of an organization's mission-critical functions are dependent upon information technology, the ability to manage this technology and to assure confidentiality, integrity, and availability of information is now mission-critical. Ongoing monitoring is a critical part of the Security Assessment and Authorization process. Timely, relevant, and accurate information is vital, particularly when resources are limited and executive branch agencies must prioritize their efforts.

Purpose: The purpose of information security continuous monitoring (ISCM) is defined as maintaining ongoing awareness of security control effectiveness, vulnerabilities in information systems, and threats to information systems and assets, and to support risk mitigation efforts and enterprise risk management decisions.

Policy Objectives: Executive branch agencies must: periodically assess the security controls in organizational information systems to determine if the controls are effective in their application; develop and implement plans of action designed to correct deficiencies and reduce or eliminate vulnerabilities in organizational information systems; authorize the operation of organizational information systems and any associated information system connections; and monitor information system security controls on an ongoing basis to ensure the continued effectiveness of the controls, consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # CA-1-7 (Page 82)

DTS, Enterprise Information Security Office, will continuously monitor information security vulnerabilities and threats, and report identified changes to executive branch agency IT Directors and senior management in the Department of Technology Services, consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-137.



The following metrics should be available for consumption for the IT Directors, Executive Branch Agency Security personnel, and DTS Information Security Analysts assigned to each executive branch agency: Anti-virus status for both servers and workstations; firewall scores for NIST, HIPAA, PCI and risks; Firewall patching status; Multi-factor authentication status (level 1.5, level 2 and level 3); Privileged Accounts (users with admin rights on their devices); Remote Access VPN groups and Group members; Server threats; Server and workstation vulnerabilities; and Executive Branch Agency Web filtering exceptions by employee. These metrics should be updated and available daily for consumption.

Security Control Standards:

[NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)

Additional Information:

[NIST 800-137: Information Security Continuous Monitoring \(ISCM\) for Information Systems and Organizations](#)

2.4.4.1 Risk Authorization and Management Program

Summary: The State of Utah is committed to preventing data loss or security breaches that may impact the confidentiality, integrity or availability of information assets through a risk authorization and management program. The program aims to ensure that all information systems and services used by the state meet stringent security standards and are authorized for use based on verified statuses from GovRAMP and FedRAMP. Continuous monitoring practices of cloud service providers are integral to this program, providing ongoing assessment and mitigation of potential risks.

Purpose: Establish a standardized process and requirements for authorizing and managing risks associated with the utilization of cloud service providers (CSPs). By leveraging GovRAMP and FedRAMP, the State of Utah aims to enhance its cybersecurity posture, ensure compliance with relevant regulations, and safeguard sensitive data by ensuring cloud solutions are compliant with security standards established by NIST 800-53 Rev. 5 (or the current version). Continuous monitoring of the cloud service providers ensures that these standards are consistently met, identifying and addressing vulnerabilities in real-time.

Policy Objective: The State of Utah's Division of Technology Services mission is to enhance the security of the state's information systems and services by implementing robust measures to protect against cyber threats and vulnerabilities. It aims to ensure compliance with federal and state regulations through the use of verified authorization statuses from GovRAMP and FedRAMP. The policy establishes a comprehensive risk authorization and management program to identify, assess, and mitigate risks associated with cloud service offerings, and incorporates continuous monitoring practices to maintain ongoing compliance and security. Ultimately, the policy seeks to mitigate third-party risk while also maintaining public trust by safeguarding the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the State of Utah's information assets and citizen data.

Security Control Standards:

[NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)

Additional Information:

[GovRAMP Baseline Controls Matrix and Guidance](#)

2.4.5 System and Services Acquisition

Summary: To be most effective, information security must be integrated into the Solution Development Life Cycle (SDLC) from system inception to implementation and ongoing support. Early integration of security in the SDLC enables executive branch agencies to maximize return on investment in their security programs, through:

- Early identification and mitigation of security vulnerabilities and misconfiguration, resulting in lower cost of security control implementation and vulnerability mitigation;
- Awareness of potential engineering challenges caused by mandatory security controls;
- Identification of shared security services and reuse of security strategies and tools to reduce development cost and schedule while improving security posture through proven methods and techniques; and
- Facilitation of informed executive decision making through comprehensive risk management in a timely manner.

The consideration of security in the System Development Life Cycle is essential to implementing and integrating a comprehensive strategy for managing risk for all information technology assets in an organization.

Purpose: Adequate security controls must be integrated into processes used for systems and services acquisition, including internal development, purchasing, and outsourcing to ensure that information assets used by the State are protected.

Policy Objectives: All software application and system development or the acquisition of applications and systems, including externally provided cloud based services, by the State of Utah will employ a Solution Development Life-Cycle (SDLC) methodology approved by DTS that incorporates security planning and review during each phase of development or acquisition and adheres to a secure-coding methodology. This approach requires that project and development teams, in collaboration with Executive Branch Agency IT Directors and the Enterprise Information Security Office assess risks to the development and implementation or acquisition of information systems and assets while incorporating controls into the process to mitigate such risks. A Solutions Development Life-Cycle methodology will be developed and maintained by DTS, consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # SA-1-14 (Page 249) and DTS Policy 3000-0001.

Security Control Standards:

- [NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)
- DTS Policy 3000-0001: Acquisition of Goods and Services

2.4.6 Security Awareness and Training

Summary: A strong information security program cannot be put in place without significant attention given to training employees and system users on security policy, procedures, and techniques, as well as the various management, operational, and technical controls necessary and available to secure information resources. In addition, those in the DTS who manage infrastructure need to have the necessary skills to carry out their assigned duties effectively. Failure to give attention to the area of security training puts an



enterprise at great risk because the security of information systems and assets is as much a human issue as it is a technology issue.

Purpose: Everyone has a role to play in the success of a security awareness and training program but executive branch agency executives, executive branch agency IT Directors, and program managers have key responsibilities to ensure that effective training programs are established enterprise wide. The scope and content of the program must be tied to existing security policy directives.

Policy Objectives: All new State of Utah employees and all contractors shall undergo Information system security awareness training before being granted access to information systems and assets. Current State of Utah employees are required to undergo Information system security awareness training annually in order to maintain access to information assets. The Enterprise Information Security Office will collaborate with executive branch agency IT Directors to develop and implement security awareness and training programs. The Enterprise Information Security Office will maintain records of training attendance and completion for all employees and contractors consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publications 800-50, and Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # AT-1-4 (Page 59)

Security Control Standards:

[NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)

Additional Information:

[NIST 800-50: Building an Information Technology Security Awareness and Training Program](#)

2.4.7 Configuration Management

Summary: An information system is composed of many components that can be interconnected in a multitude of arrangements to meet a variety of business, mission, and information security needs. How these information system components are networked, configured, and managed is critical in providing adequate information security and supporting an organization's risk management process.

Purpose: Implementing new information systems and changing existing systems results in some adjustment to the system configuration. To ensure that the required adjustments to system configurations do not adversely affect the security of the information system or the users from operation of the information system, a well-defined configuration management process that integrates information security is required.

Policy Objectives: DTS must: establish and maintain baseline configurations and inventories of organizational information systems (including hardware, software, firmware, and documentation) throughout the respective system development life cycles; and establish and enforce security configuration settings for information technology products employed in enterprise and organizational information systems, consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # CM-1-8 (Page 96), and 800-128.

Security Control Standards:

[NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)



Additional Information:

[NIST 800-128: Guide for Security-Focused Configuration Management of Information Systems](#)

2.4.8 Contingency Planning

Summary: Contingency planning refers to interim measures to recover information system services after a disruption. Interim measures may include relocation of information systems and operations to an alternate site, recovery of information system functions using alternate equipment, or performance of information system functions using manual methods.

Purpose: Because information system resources are so essential to an organization's success, it is critical that identified services provided by these systems are able to operate effectively without excessive interruption. Contingency planning supports this requirement by establishing thorough plans, procedures, and technical measures that can enable a system to be recovered as quickly and effectively as possible following a service disruption.

Policy Objectives: Executive branch agencies should establish, maintain, and effectively implement plans for emergency response, backup operations, and post-disaster recovery for organizational information systems to ensure the availability of critical information resources and continuity of operations in emergency situations, consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-34 Revision 1, and Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # CP-1-10 (Page 115).

Security Control Standards:

[NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)

Additional Information:

[NIST 800-34: Contingency Planning Guide for Information Systems](#)

2.4.9 Incident Response

Summary: A computer security incident is a violation or imminent threat of violation of computer security policies, acceptable use policies, or standard security practices.

Examples of incidents are:

- An attacker commands a botnet to send high volumes of connection requests to a web server, causing it to crash.
- Users are tricked into opening a "quarterly report" sent via email that is actually malware; running the tool has infected their computers and established connections with an external host.
- An attacker obtains sensitive data and threatens that the details will be released publicly if the organization does not pay a designated sum of money.
- A user provides illegal copies of software to others through peer-to-peer file sharing services.
- An unencrypted laptop computer or information storage device is lost or stolen.
- An attacker attempts to compromise authentication to an information asset using brute force.
- Authorized access to network resources is blocked with a Denial of Service attack.



Purpose: Rapid and effective incident response is required because attacks frequently compromise personal and business data. It is critically important to respond quickly and efficiently when security breaches occur. An incident response capability should support incidents systematically so that appropriate and consistent actions are taken.

Policy Objectives: DTS must: establish an operational incident handling capability for enterprise information systems that includes adequate preparation, detection, analysis, containment, recovery, and user response activities; and track, document, and report incidents to appropriate organizational officials and/or authorities, consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # IR-1-8 (Page 149), 800-61 Rev2, and the DTS Cyber Security Incident Response Plan.

Security Control Standards:

- [NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)
- [State of Utah, Cyber Security Incident Response Plan](#)

Additional Information:

[NIST SP 800-61 Rev2: Computer Security Incident Handling Guide](#)

2.4.10 Maintenance

Summary: Information systems and equipment require service and /or frequent updates in order to operate at their highest capability, remain secure, and to work in the most efficient manner.

Purpose: Periodic and timely maintenance on information systems, including effective patch management processes is a requirement of a comprehensive security program.

Policy Objectives: Executive branch agencies with system maintenance responsibilities must perform periodic and timely maintenance on information systems and provide effective controls on the tools, techniques, mechanisms, and personnel used to conduct information system maintenance, consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # MA-1-6 (Page 162)

Security Control Standards:

[NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)

2.4.11 Media Protection

Summary: Information systems capture, process, and store information using a wide variety of media. This information is located not only on the intended storage media but also on devices used to create, process, or transmit this information. This media may require special disposition in order to mitigate the risk of unauthorized disclosure of information and to ensure its confidentiality. Efficient and effective management of information created, processed, and stored by an information system throughout its life (from inception through disposal) is a primary concern of a media protection strategy.



Purpose: The State of Utah is required by federal and state regulatory statute to provide a reasonable assurance, in proportion to the confidentiality of the data, that all digital and paper media containing information assets must be protected at all times from unauthorized access.

Policy Objectives: Executive branch agencies must: protect information system media, both paper and digital; limit access to information on information system media to authorized users; and sanitize or destroy information system media before disposal or release for reuse, consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # MP-1-4 (Page 171), 800-88.

Employees should only use State-owned encrypted media when downloading State data containing personal data, PHI, FTI, or CJIS, or any other sensitive data to a removable media device such as, but not limited to, USB drives, tapes, CDs, and DVDs.

Security Control Standards:

[NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)

Additional Information:

[NIST SP 800-88: Guidelines for Media Sanitization](#)

2.4.12 Personnel Security

Summary: In response to increasing threats, organizations need to implement or update a personnel security program to prevent unauthorized access to information systems and assets. Organizations should develop specific trustworthiness and capability criteria for personnel security and information system integrity. The personnel security program should consider an individual background, qualifications, and operational restrictions prior to granting an individual access to protected information and systems. The overall objective is to ensure that individuals who are granted access are trustworthy, capable, and operationally safe. Also, the organization, including the employees and the environment in which they function, should operate securely so that they do not constitute an unacceptable security risk that could impact other personnel or the public.

Purpose: Effective information security requires that individuals granted access to systems and data be vetted to ensure that information security objectives can be maintained.

Policy Objectives: Executive branch agencies must ensure that individuals occupying positions of responsibility within organizations (including third-party service providers) are trustworthy and meet established security criteria for those positions. In addition, departments and agencies must ensure that organizational information and information systems are protected during and after personnel actions such as terminations and transfers and employ formal sanctions for personnel failing to comply with organizational security policies and procedures, consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # PS-1-8 (Page 222)

Security Control Standards:

[NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)



2.4.13 Physical and Environmental Protection

Summary: In order to minimize disruption, damage, or loss of information and technology resources utilized by an organization, requirements for physical and environmental protection of information assets are mandatory. For the purposes of this policy, 'facilities' is defined to include all areas that contain information assets, including general workspace, but special focus should be placed on concentrations of assets, such as data centers, server rooms, network/data transmission hubs (i.e. telephone/data/wiring closets), concentrated cable runs, and technology or records staging/storage areas.

Purpose: The State of Utah is required to use reasonable means to protect its information systems from threats posed by individuals or groups with malicious intent, environmental hazards, and other activities or events that pose potential risks to information systems and assets.

Policy Objectives: Executive branch agencies must limit physical access to information systems, equipment, and the respective operating environments to authorized individuals and protect the physical infrastructure for information systems, including the protection of information systems against environmental hazards and providing appropriate environmental controls in facilities containing information systems, consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # PE-1-20 (Page 179), and DTSDData Center Security and Access Procedure.

Security Control Standards:

- [NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)
- DTS Data Center Security and Access Procedure

2.4.14 System and Information Integrity

Summary: The two key components of system integrity are software authenticity and the assurance of user identity. Organizations should routinely evaluate how to integrate the following best practices into their current environments to achieve these objectives:

Enable logging for all centralized authentication services and collect the IP address of the system accessing the service, the username, the resource accessed, and whether the attempt was successful or not.

Limit the number of authentication attempts and lockout the user if the limit is reached. Security professionals should conduct a manual review before unlocking the account and prohibit automatic unlocks after a specified time period.

Conduct near real-time log review for failed attempts per user and per unit of time independent of successful logins; abnormal successful logins; and lockouts. Correlate this data to identify anomalous activity.

- Limit remote access.
- Restrict access by IP address wherever possible.
- Limit concurrent logins to one per user.
- Maximize complexity of passwords, passphrases, and personal identification numbers (PINs) whenever possible.
- Enable defenses against key logging such as forced frequent credential changing and updated anti-virus (AV) signatures.



- Validate software.

Purpose: The State of Utah is required to use reasonable means to protect its information systems from threats posed by viruses, spam, hackers, malware, and other malicious activities by installing, maintaining, and monitoring appropriate technical features to protect its systems.

Policy Objectives: Executive branch agencies must identify, report, and correct information and information system flaws in a timely manner; provide protection from malicious code at appropriate locations within organizational information systems; and monitor information system security alerts and advisories and take appropriate actions in response, consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # SI-1-13 (Page 332)

Security Control Standards:

[NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)

2.4.15 Access Control

Summary: Access control, in one form or another, is considered by most organizations to be the cornerstone of their security programs. The various features of physical, technical, and administrative access control mechanisms work together to construct the security architecture so important in the protection of an organization's critical and sensitive information assets.

Purpose: The administration of user access to electronic information is required to apply the principles of least privilege and "need to know", and must be administered to ensure that the appropriate level of access control is applied to protect the information asset in each application or system.

Policy Objectives: Executive branch agencies must limit information system access to authorized users, processes acting on behalf of authorized users, or devices (including other information systems) and to the types of transactions and functions that authorized users are permitted to exercise, consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # AC-1-22 (Page 18). Additionally, only authorized users will be granted administrative access to workstations in order to download, install and execute new applications.

Security Control Standards:

[NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)

2.4.16 Audit and Accountability

Summary: The ability to audit events and activities on a network provides information necessary to determine if an information system or asset has been compromised. Audit and accountability capabilities also help an organization mitigate issues as they are developing.

Purpose: A chronological record of activities involving system events and user activity is required which will enable the reconstruction, review, and examination of the sequence of activities concerning each event.

Policy Objectives: Executive branch agencies must create, protect, and retain information system audit records to the extent needed to enable the monitoring, analysis, investigation, and reporting of unlawful, unauthorized, or inappropriate information system activity; and ensure that the actions of individual



information system users can be uniquely traced to those users so they can be held accountable for their actions, consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # AU-1-14 (Page 65), and the most restrictive between the audit log retention schedules defined by the Utah Division of Archives and Records Service, and requests from the executive branch agencies.

Security Control Standards:

[NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)

2.4.17 Identification and Authentication

Summary: A foundational aspect of information security is knowing who has been granted access to systems and assets. The identification and authentication of users and processes allows an organization to restrict access to only authorized users and processes.

Purpose: The protection of information systems and assets from unauthorized modification, disclosure or destruction to ensure that it is accurate, remains confidential, and is available when needed is a requirement of federal and state regulatory statute.

Policy Objectives: Executive branch agencies must identify information system users, processes acting on behalf of users, or devices and authenticate (or verify) the identities of those users, processes, or devices, as a prerequisite to allowing access to enterprise information systems, consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # IA-1-8 (Page 131)

Security Control Standards:

[NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)

2.4.18 System and Communication Protection

Summary: The protection of information assets at rest and in transit is fundamental to an organization's security program. System and communication protection includes analog based systems as well as digital networks.

Purpose: The State of Utah is required to use reasonable means, commensurate with risk, to protect the confidentiality, availability and integrity of information assets in storage and during transmission.

Policy Objectives: DTS must: monitor, control, and protect analog and digital communications (i.e., information transmitted or received by organizational information systems) at the external boundaries of the enterprise network and at designated internal boundaries of information systems; and employ architectural designs, software development techniques, and systems engineering principles that promote effective information security within organizational and enterprise information systems, consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # SC-1-34 (Page 292)

Security Control Standards:

[NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)



2.4.19 Continuous Monitoring

Summary: The continuous monitoring of information assets is fundamental to an organization's security program. System and communication protection includes analog based systems as well as digital networks.

Continuous Monitoring Metrics to be monitored:

- DTS will continuously monitor traffic and events through log retention and correlation in Google Chronicle.
- Metrics gathered from Chronicle will provide the number of logs digested from each source to specific individuals that are directly associated with the system including (but not limited to): Executive Branch Agency IT Director, Executive Branch Agency Security Officer, IT Manager over the system, and the Business Owner if one exists as identified in the Archer A&A package.
- These metrics will be distributed yearly via report scheduling or when any significant change to the system occurs. Reports can also be requested on an as-needed basis by any authorized individual.

Purpose: The State of Utah is required to use reasonable means to protect its information systems from threats posed by viruses, spam, hackers, malware, and other malicious activities by installing, maintaining, and monitoring appropriate technical features to protect its systems.

Policy Objectives: DTS must: monitor, control, and protect analog and digital communications (i.e., information transmitted or received by organizational information systems) at the external boundaries of the enterprise network and at designated internal boundaries of information systems; and employ architectural designs, software development techniques, and systems engineering principles that promote effective information security within organizational and enterprise information systems, consistent with National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-53 Rev5 Control # SC-1-34 (Page 292)

Security Control Standards:

[NIST SP 800-53 Rev5: Security Controls for Information Systems and Organizations](#)

2.4.20 Supply Chain

To ensure the security and integrity of the state's technology infrastructure, the state shall implement robust supply chain controls. These controls should include, but are not limited to:

- **Procurement of TAA-Compliant Hardware:** All hardware purchases should comply with the Trade Agreements Act (TAA). This includes ensuring that products are substantially transformed in the United States or designated countries.
- **Vendor Risk Assessments:** Comprehensive risk assessments should be conducted on all technology vendors, including an evaluation of their security practices, supply chain transparency, and adherence to relevant standards.



- Contractual Requirements: Security requirements, including compliance with GOVRAMP or FedRAMP, where applicable, must be explicitly stated in all contracts with technology vendors.
- Ongoing Monitoring: Continuous monitoring of vendor compliance with security requirements and contractual obligations is required.

These supply chain controls are designed to mitigate the risks associated with the procurement and use of technology products and services, safeguarding the state's sensitive data and critical infrastructure.

2.5 Policy Compliance

Executive branch agencies, employees, and contractors are expected to comply with this enterprise security policy. Additional policies and standards developed and implemented by executive branch agencies may include additional objectives or detail, but they must be compatible with the security objectives described in this policy document.

2.6 Enforcement

Violation of this policy by personnel employed by DTS may be the basis for discipline including but not limited to termination. Individuals working in any executive branch agency found to have violated this policy may also be subject to legal penalties as may be prescribed by state and/or federal statute, rule, and/or regulation.

2.7 Reference to Payment Card Industry Security

The following document identifies how the individual Enterprise Security Policy domains relate to the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) requirements:

PCI Crosswalk Information