Good afternoon,

I’d like to share with you the first chapter of the Cyber Essentials Toolkit from the Department of Homeland Security Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency.

This toolkit, which will be updated with a new chapter each month, is designed to reduce the complex task of developing and executing a cybersecurity program into “bite-sized” chunks to be considered and executed as fits your organization. As of now, CISA is planning for six chapters in this toolkit.

This first chapter focuses on senior leadership and engagement, an essential to any successful program launch in any organization. It provides a framework to guide both your personal reflections on this important topic and well as some practical approaches to providing executive sponsorship and support.

I encourage you to read it and reflect on the questions it poses. If you already have a mature cyber program, it can provide that always helpful guide to self-assessment, and if you do not have or are just starting a cyber program, it is a roadmap to focus your leadership skills and organizational acumen to your company’s best benefit.

As always, feel free to contact me should you wish to discuss this or any other matter.

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