

# **NIST Cyber Security Professional: Practitioner**

## **Course Introduction**

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## **Chapter 01 - Course Introduction**

### **Course Introduction**

#### **Lesson: Course Organization**

Learning Outcomes  
Welcome to the Course!  
Why Are You Here?  
Using Bloom's Taxonomy  
What do you Expect?  
Housekeeping Online  
Daily Routine, Quizzes & Exercises  
NCSP Practitioner Exam  
NCSP Bootcamp Exam  
Getting Started in the Classroom  
Agenda

#### **Lesson: Setting the Stage**

Constantly Evolving Threat Landscape  
Adopt the NIST-CSF & Adapt an Informative Reference  
Cybersecurity Adopt & Adapt - Governance & Management  
Use an Adaptive Way to Work  
Rapid Adoption & Rapid Adaption FastTrack  
Continual Improvement & Implementation of Cybersecurity

## **Chapter 02 - Digital Transformation & Cybersecurity**

### **Digital Transformation & Cybersecurity**

Digital Transformation & Cybersecurity

Learning Outcomes

#### **Lesson: DX as a Practitioner**

The Industrial Era & the Digital Era  
Entering the Digital Era  
Unique Strategic Challenges of the Digital Era  
Digital Strategy Concepts  
Organizational Culture Defined  
The Need for a Digital Culture  
Get Your Culture READY to Transform!  
Digital Transformation Readiness Framework

Framework Structure  
Operational Sustainability - Principle Themes  
Attributes of Operational Sustainability  
Organizational Agility - Principle Themes  
Attributes of Organizational Agility  
Strategic Agility - Principle Themes  
Attributes of Strategic Agility  
Disruptive Culture - Principle Themes  
Disruptors are NOT Loose Cannons  
Digital Readiness Framework  
**Lesson: DX in the Context of Cybersecurity**  
More about Culture Than Technology  
Adopt & Adapt - DX & Cybersecurity  
Agility Demands  
Shared Aspects  
Different Sides of the Same Coin  
**Lesson: Cybersecurity as a DX Catalyst**  
Start with Operational Sustainability  
Becoming Agile  
Establish a Strategic Approach  
**Summary: Digital Transformation & Cybersecurity**  
Becoming Digital Ready  
Interdependencies - DX/Cybersecurity  
Checkpoint

## **Chapter 03 - Threat Landscape**

### **Threat Landscape**

Learning Outcomes

Introduction

#### **Lesson: Threat Actors: Agile & Creative**

Take Advantage of Everything: All Information Has Value

Threat Actor Creativity

Threat Actors Agile & Adaptive

Threat Actors Exploit Vulnerabilities

#### **Lesson: Attacks**

Generic Attack Types

Typical Attack Profile

Lockheed-Martin Cyber Kill Chain

Typical Mitigation Controls

External Attacks

Insider Attacks

Verizon 2019 Data Breach Investigation\* Report (DBIR)\*

Verizon 2019 DBIR Summary\*

#### **Lesson: Challenges**

Vulnerability Contributors

Indicators for Cybersecurity Issues

Most Prevalent Deficiencies

IT & Cybersecurity

Organizational Challenges

Lack of Cybersecurity Budget/Funding

Cybersecurity Funding Impacts All Organizations

Increased Threat Sophistication

CISO Actions

**Lesson: Organizational Response to Threat Landscape**

New Approach to Information Security Management (ISM)

Understand Cyber Risk

Understand Importance of Controls

Breaches - Lessons Learned

Analysis of Target Breach - Background

Analysis of Target Breach - Threat Actor Reconnaissance Phase

Analysis of Target Breach - Threat Actor Infection & Infiltration Phases

Analysis of Target Breach - Threat Actor Data Collection & Exfiltration Phases

General Lessons from Target Breach

Lessons from Target Breach for each Attack Phase (1)

Lessons from Target Breach for each Attack Phase (2)

Analysis of Home Depot Breach - Background

Lessons from Home Depot Breach

Analysis of Sony Breach - Background

General Lessons from the Sony Breach

Lessons from the Sony Breach - Infection & Infiltration

Lessons from the Sony Breach - Data Collection & Exfiltration

**Lesson: Absolute Prevention Not Possible**

Ongoing Improvement is Critical

Cybersecurity Isn't Implemented & Done

Make Strategic Commitment to Inculcate Cybersecurity into Culture

Trust & Verify

Not Just Awareness & Training - Deterrence

What Is Cybersecurity Deterrence

Start with Program to Raise Awareness

Make CS Training & Awareness Critical Part of Organizational DNA

Training Alone Insufficient

**Summary: Threat Landscape**

Threat Actors

Attacks

Challenges

Organizational Response to Threat Landscape

Absolute Prevention Not Possible

Checkpoint

**Chapter 04 - The Controls**

**The Controls**

Learning Outcomes

Overall Approach & Control Selection

Control Selection Rationale

Introduction to Cybersecurity Controls

**Lesson: Initiation & Basic Controls**

Controls Phased Adoption

Controls – Order of Precedence (Initiation & Basic [Startup] )

CIS Control 17 - Implement a Security Awareness & Training Program

CIS Control 17 - Implement a Security Awareness & Training Program Sub Controls

CIS Control 19 - Incident Response & Management

CIS Control 19 - Incident Response & Management Sub Controls

CIS Control 1 - Inventory & Control of Hardware Assets

CIS Control 1 - Inventory & Control of Hardware Assets Sub Controls

CIS Control 2 - Inventory & Control of Software Assets

CIS Control 2 - Inventory & Control of Software Assets Sub Controls

CIS Control 3 - Continuous Vulnerability Management

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CIS Control 4 - Controlled Use of Administrative Privileges

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CIS Control 5 - Secure Configurations

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CIS Control 6 - Maintenance, Monitor & Analysis of Audit Logs

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**Lesson: Foundation Controls**

CIS Control 7 - Email & Web Browser Protections

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CIS Control 8 - Malware Defenses

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CIS Control 9 - Limitations & Control of Network Ports, Protocols & Services

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CIS Control 10 - Data Recovery Capabilities

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CIS Control 11 - Secure Configurations for Network Devices

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CIS Control 12 - Boundary Defenses

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CIS Control 13 - Data Protection

CIS Control 13 - Data Protection

CIS Control 14 - Control Access Based on the Need to Know

CIS Control 14 - Control Access Based on the Need to Know

CIS Control 15 - Wireless Access Control

CIS Control 15 - Wireless Access Control

CIS Control 16 - Account Monitoring & Control

CIS Control 16 - Account Monitoring & Control

**Lesson: Organizational & Recovery Controls**

CIS Control 18 - Application Software Security

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CIS Control 20 - Penetration Tests & Red Team Exercises

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Recovery NIST-CSF - NIST 800-53

**Summary: Controls**

Controls – Order of Precedence (Initiation & Basic ((Startup))) )

Checkpoint

## **Chapter 05 - Adopt & Adapt**

### **Adopt & Adapt**

Learning Outcomes

#### **Lesson: The Context of Adopt & Adapt**

Introduction to Adopt & Adapt

Adopt: What's Included in Governance for Cybersecurity?

Adapt: What's Included in Management for Cybersecurity?

Lean Thinking Applied

Cybersecurity Adopt & Adapt - Governance & Management

Management: Operationalization of Cybersecurity

#### **Lesson: Cybersecurity & Culture**

Culture Defined & Thoughts About Culture

Cultural Patterns

Characteristics of Culture Types: How They Process Information

How to Change Your Culture

Culture & Cybersecurity

Final Thoughts on Culture

#### **Lesson: Where We Are**

Determine Current State

Determinative Model

Flow of Improvement

Flow of Communication

Flow of Work

3D Knowledge Flow Model

Consultant's View of the Flows

#### **Summary: Adopt & Adapt**

The Context of Adopt & Adapt

Cybersecurity & Culture

Where We Are?

Checkpoint

## **Chapter 06 - Adaptive Way of Working**

### **Adaptive Way of Working**

Learning Outcomes

#### **Lesson: Introduction to Adaptive Way to Work**

Adaptive Approach Reduces Waste, Delivers Value

Little Gap & Big Gap

Quick Review

Approach

Leverage Cross-functional Teams

Lots of small projects

Work Structure

Facilitate Learning

Everything is Subject to Improvement  
Try Something New in "the Small"  
Be Proactive  
Organizational Change  
Change Requires Engagement  
Focus on Small Steps Toward a Goal, Not the Whole

**Lesson: How to Get Started**

Adaptive Approach  
Work in phases  
Ask Questions: Method (How), Not Capability (Binary Choice)  
Develop Small Requirements  
Prioritize Based on Most Valuable Thing to do "Next"  
Focus on Value, Outcomes, Costs & Risks  
Develop Different Flow Patterns

**Summary: Adaptive Way of Working**

Introduction to Adaptive Way to Work  
How to Get Started  
Checkpoint

## **Chapter 07 - Rapid Adoption & Rapid Adaptation FastTrack**

### **Rapid Adoption & Rapid Adaptation FastTrack**

Learning Outcomes  
Rapid Adoption & Adaptation Using FastTrack

**Lesson: Rapid Adoption**

Determine Risk Appetite  
Establish Cybersecurity Governance  
Assess Cybersecurity Capabilities  
Balance Resources & Risks  
Balance Resource Optimization Model  
Optimized Resources

**Lesson: Rapid Adaptation**

Cybersecurity Assessment  
Impact on People, Practice & Technology  
Impact Flows  
Implementation Groups  
Review Center for Internet Security Controls\*  
Take a Phased Approach  
Phase 0: Initiation  
Phase 1: Establish Cybersecurity Beachhead  
Phase 2: Expand Defensible Perimeter  
Phase 3: Refine & Tailor  
FastTrack - Implement/Improve Cycles

**Summary: Rapid Adoption & Rapid Adaptation FastTrack**

Rapid Adoption & Adaptation Using FastTrack  
Rapid Adoption  
Rapid Adaptation  
FastTrack - Implement/Improve Cycles

Checkpoint

## **Chapter 08 - CIIS Practice**

### **CIIS Practice**

Chapter: CIIS Practice

Learning Outcomes

#### **Lesson: Ongoing Practice of Cybersecurity**

Set the Stage for Continual Improvement

Build a Learning Organization

How to Scope Ongoing Improvement

Identify Business Systems Most at Risk

Verify or Create Inventory of Hardware & Software Assets

Think Like A Threat Actor

Mitigate & Protect

Learn & Improve

Embed

Overall Flow

#### **Lesson: NIST 7-step Improvement**

NIST 7-step

Step 1: Prioritize & Scope

Step 2: Orient

Step 3: Create Current Profile

Step 4: Conduct Risk Assessment

Step 5: Create Target Profile

Step 6: Determine, Analyze & Prioritize Gaps

Step 7: Implement action plan

#### **Lesson: Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification CMMC**

Origins of CMMC

CMMC Model Framework

CMMC Model Level Descriptions - 1 & 2

CMMC Model Level Descriptions - 3 & 4

CMMC Model Level Descriptions - 5

Examples of Level 1 to 3 Practices

Examples of Level 4 & 5 Practices

#### **Lesson: Integrate Cybersecurity**

Balancing Loop

Escalation (Archetype)

People, Practice & Technology: Improvement Cycle

Assess Cybersecurity Posture: Implementation Cycle

FastTrack - Combined Implement/Improve Cycles

#### **Summary: CIIS Practice**

Set the Stage for Continual Improvement

Overall Flow

NIST 7-step

Origins of CMMC

FastTrack - Combined Implement/Improve Cycles

Checkpoint

## **Chapter 09 - Course Summary**

Course Summary & Wrap Up