Learn the 3A’s for Enhanced Cyber Awareness

We can’t train our way out of the cybersecurity skills gap and staffing shortages. But CISOs can
**ASSESS** current infrastructure practices, **ALIGN** cyber team performance with overall business objectives, and **ADOPT ACTIVE LEARNING** exercises that engage employees.

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**Assess**

Evaluating current staff skills and assessing how various tools and applications affect your internal network. Understand how current security practices impact system vulnerabilities, which can affect proper incident response and staff compliance. Enhance cyber awareness by evaluating:

- Who’s using/accessing certain systems, when, and how
- Patch management and update resolution
- Adherence to IT and OT security protocols
- Risk management processes

**Organizations that continuously assess their cybersecurity posture report lowering their security breach frequency.**

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**Align**

CISOs are challenged to communicate and collaborate with business leaders to define and report on their cybersecurity strategy and overall effectiveness. This lack of visibility to the C-Suite hinders the perception of organizational risk and security. CISOs can drive alignment by:

- Providing practical knowledge of the current threat environment
- Demonstrating how cybersecurity strategy reflects business objectives
- Building a data-risk dashboard in collaboration with the C-Suite
- Set agreed-upon reporting metrics to demonstrate progress

**CISOs hope to improve the strategic alignment between the security organization and the business.**

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**Active learning**

Active learning is shown to improve learner information retention. Adopting gamified exercises is one way active learning models can be applied to your cyber training approach, which will help cyber teams keep pace with evolving threats.

**Increased retention rates when active learning methods are used versus 5% from traditional teaching approaches.**

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