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The Latest Trends in Cyber Security and Compliance

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About Bill Walter

Bill Walter is a partner in Gross Mendelsohn's Technology Solutions Group. He helps businesses of all types and sizes document and remediate security systems. With 25 years of experience, Bill's passion is helping businesses better use technology to operate more efficiently.

Cyber Security

Remediation

Technology Best Practices

Network Support

Maryland Manufacturing Business Hit With Ransomware

- Internal IT resource
 - Limited training or support
 - Small budget
- Outdated equipment and policies
 - Exposed remote desktop server
 - Unused account left active

Maryland Logistics and Distribution Company Hit By Ransomware Attack

- IT lead “fell” into position
- Multiple companies with vastly different needs and requirements
- No clear picture of what they have in place and who is responsible
- Lacking layers of protection—leaving remotely accessible equipment vulnerable

Everything as a Service

You may have heard of...

- Software as a Service (SaaS)
- Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS)
- Platform as a Service (PaaS)

Have you heard of RaaS?



Where to Focus

- Regularly scheduled vulnerability assessments
- Identify and protect
 - Data classification
 - Assign access according to need
 - Move toward zero trust
 - Backup

Zero Trust Security Approach



1. Verify Every User



2. Validate Their Devices



3. Intelligently Limit Their Access

<https://quicklaunch.io>

Where to Focus

- Upgrade your endpoints
 - Move to true endpoint detection and response (EDR)
 - Centralized signal gathering and monitoring
 - Security awareness training



www.watchguard.com

Where to Focus

- Elevate your authentication
 - Enforce common sense password rules
 - Add multi-factor authentication (MFA)
 - Apply policy of least privilege



www.nist.gov

Steve Rutkovitz



Co-Founder & COO

About Steve Rutkovitz

With over 20 years of experience in the managed services industry, specializing in regulatory compliance-specific technology, Steve's approach to managed services gives him the edge you need to differentiate your business and protect your organization in today's world of cyber threats, attacks, and hacks.

Focused solely on compliance and security, Steve is known throughout the industry as being uniquely qualified due to his understanding of networking, hardware and over 25 different compliances.

Security and Compliance

Risk Assessments

Education

Management



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Independent risk assessments with over 250 conducted worldwide

Complete readiness solutions to meet and maintain 16+ compliance frameworks

Proactive solutions to prevent breaches

End to end compliance solutions

Cost of a Hack or Breach

- Small business breaches cost between \$120,000 and \$1.24 million
- \$4.35 million is the average cost of breaches worldwide
- Healthcare cyberattacks have the highest cost in the industry
- Cost of cybercrime to rise to \$10.5 trillion worldwide by 2025



STATE OF CYBER SECURITY



61%

SMBs

Target of 61% of all security breaches

81%

Since the Pandemic

81% increase in cyberattacks

96%

PHISHING

Attacks reported by 96% of businesses

80%

External Threats

80% of attacks are from an external threat

The Problem

Increased
Number of
Devices



Cloud
Applications



Internet of
Things



Mobile and
Wearable
Devices



Office & Workflow Changes



In-Office



Hybrid



Remote



Top Cyber Threats

Phishing Attacks

Ransomware

Malware

Brute Force Attacks

Insider Threats



Common Threats

TOP CYBER THREATS

1

• Cybersquatting

2

• Email Hack

3

• Spear Phishing

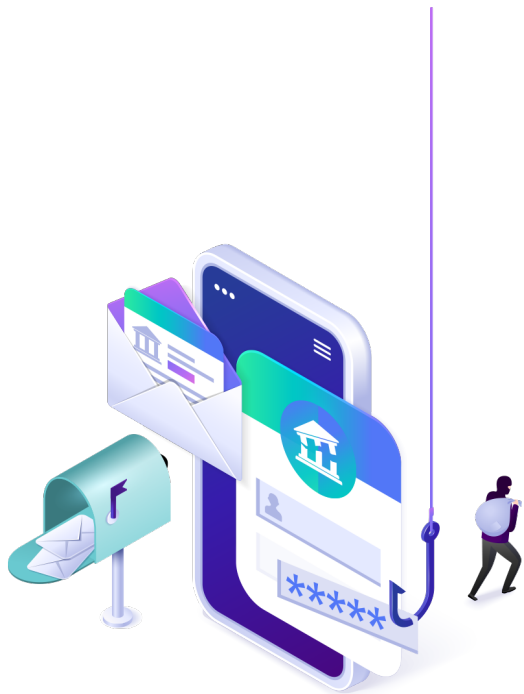
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• Ransomware

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• Cryptojacking

5 WAYS TO AVOID A PHISHING ATTACK



- 1 Identify the real sender
- 2 Check the salutation
- 3 Use your mouse hover
- 4 Review the footer
- 5 When in doubt, delete





**BUILD A
CULTURE OF
COMPLIANCE &
SECURITY**

Security & Compliance

Security

The state of being free from danger or threat

Compliance

The act of obeying an order, rule or request



The Three Lanes



MSP Services

Keeping the lights on



Security

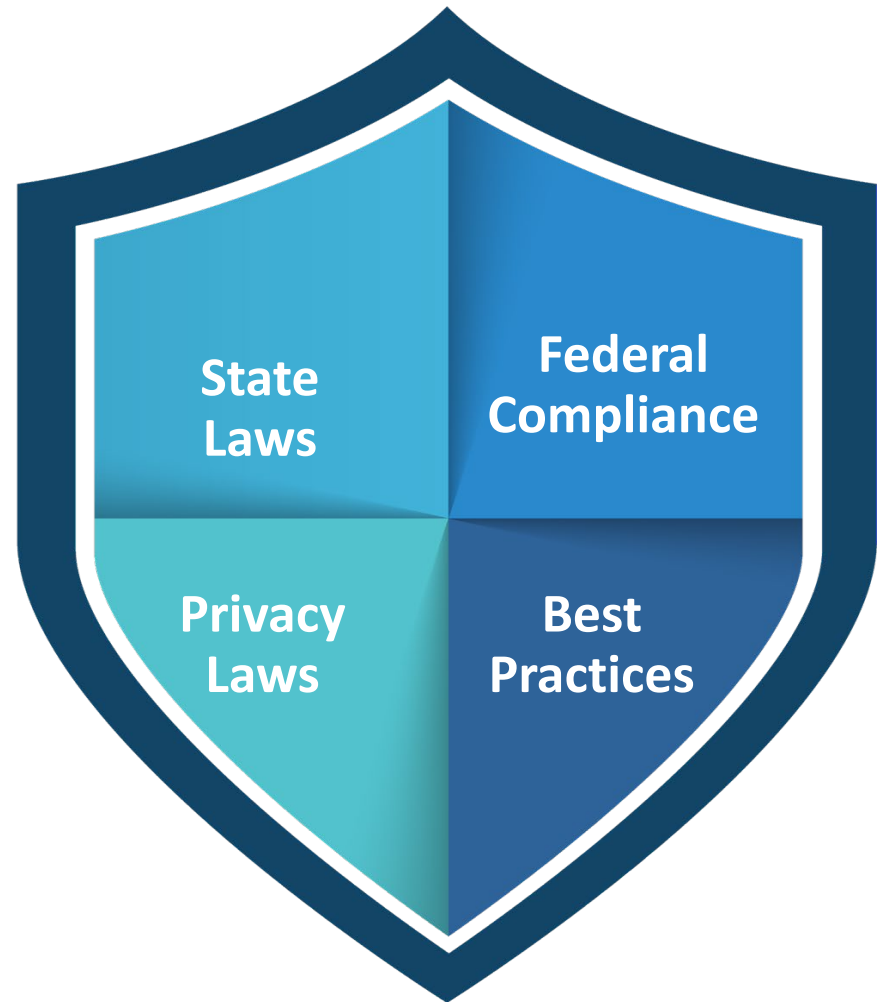
Security 1.0 & Security 2.0



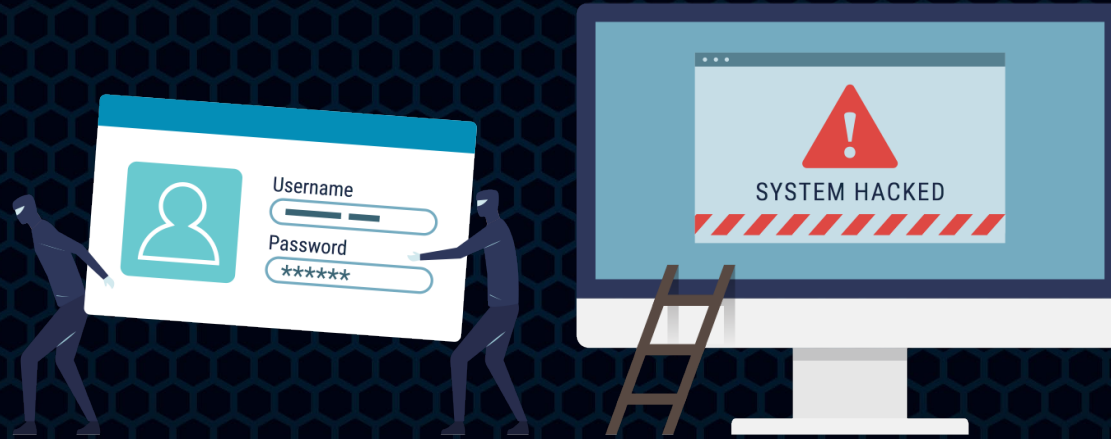
Compliance

Policies, Procedures & Training

Compliance & Best Practices



IN THE EVENT OF A BREACH





SEPARATING PERSONAL & BUSINESS

Compliance Frameworks We Can Verify



Business Security



Our Proven Process



ASSESS

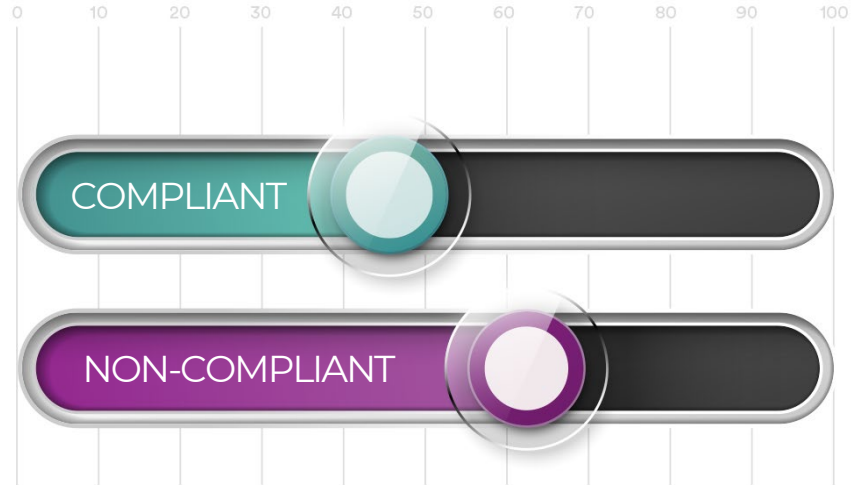


ADDRESS



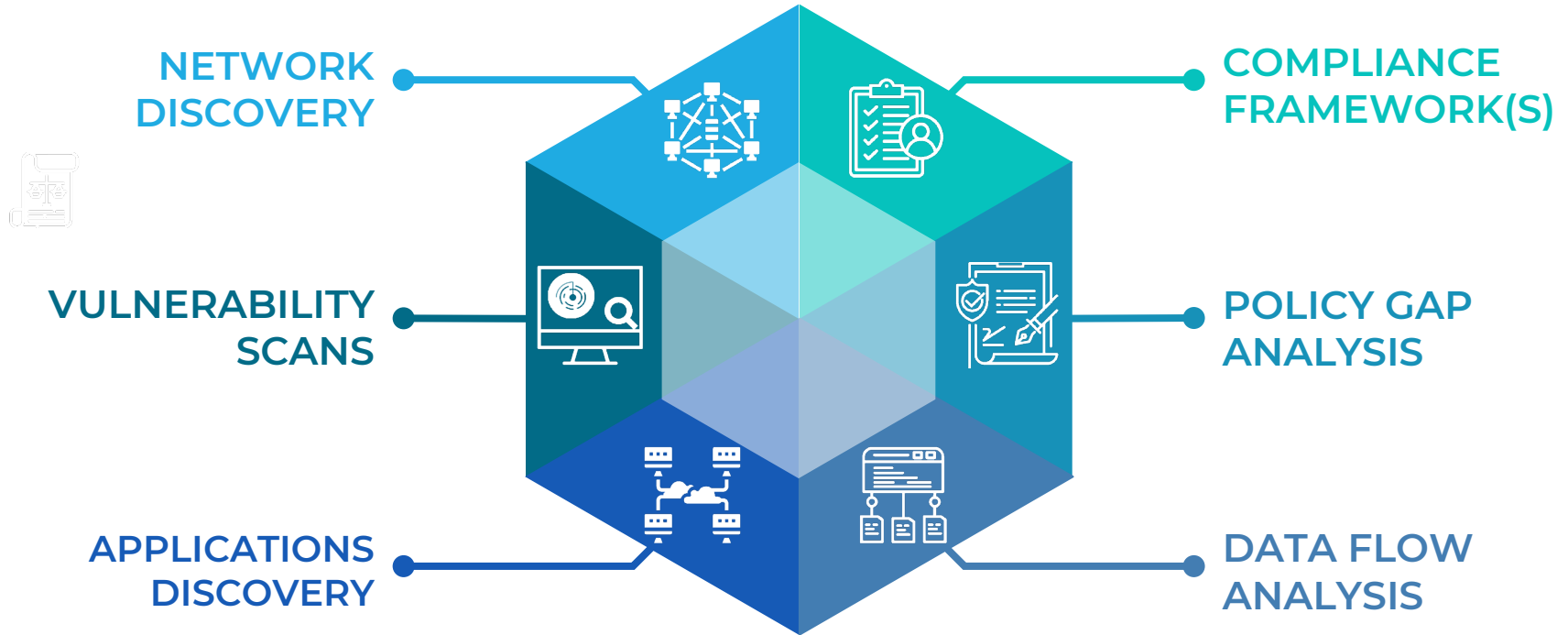
MAINTAIN

NIST CSF Controls



Evidence Must Be Documented for Each Control

Risk Assessment Components



ePHI Scan Results and Data Auditing

TOTAL LIABILITY: \$10,043,391

35,000

Medical Records

9,936

Credit Cards

14,451

Social Security
Numbers

2,746

Dates of Birth

The Stack Of Security Layers

BASICS



Next Generation Firewall



Advanced Endpoint Protection



Protective Filtering



Centralized Management



Patch Approval & Management



Secure Backups & Recovery



Intrusion Prevention & Detection

SECURITY 2.0



Endpoint Detection & Response



Password Policy & Management



Single Sign-On



Two Factor Authentication



Email & Drive Encryption



Mobile Device Management



Cloud Access Security

COMPLIANCE



User Awareness Training



Security Incident & Event Monitoring



Change Management



Data Leak Prevention



File & Data Encryption



Continuous Vulnerability Scans



Policies & Procedures

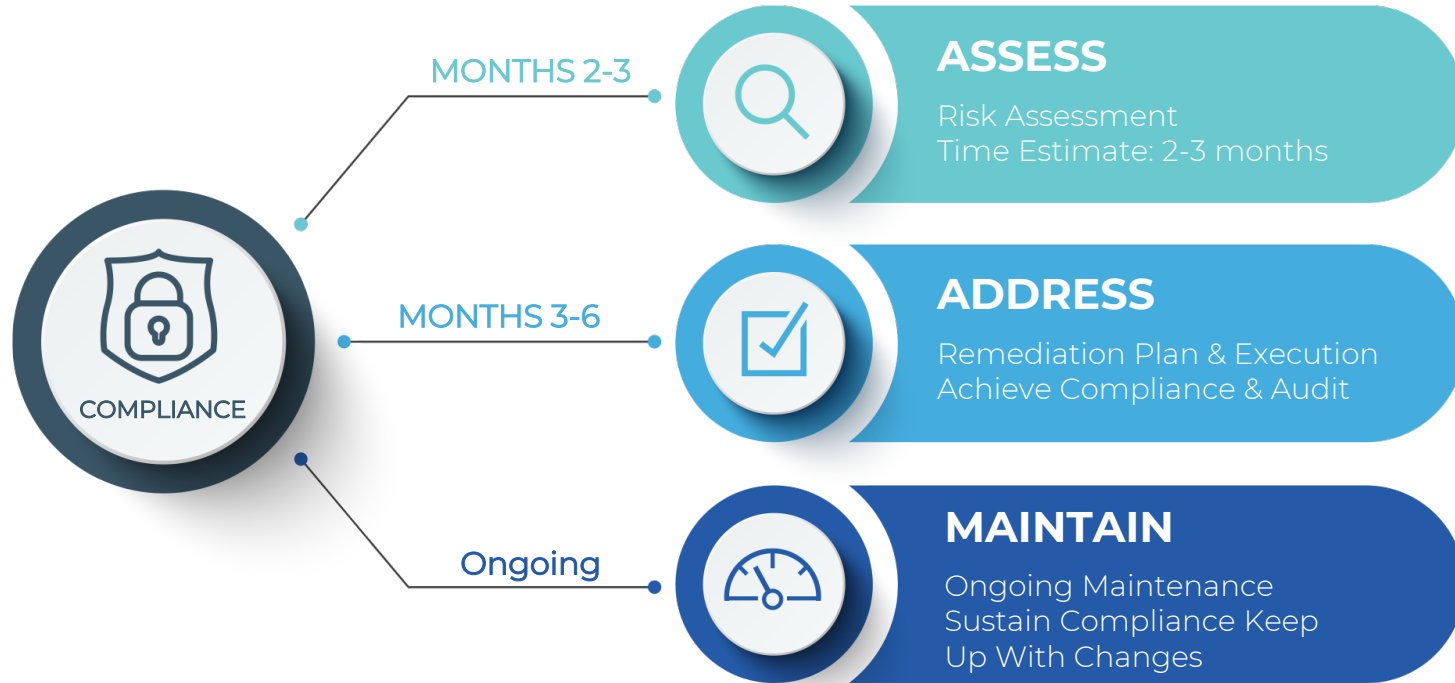
Risk Assessment Deliverables

- Executive summary
- Identify baseline risks and vulnerabilities
- Proactive action plan to reduce risk
- Know what's missing
- Know cyber insurance risk

Continuous Compliance Services Components



Journey to Compliance





MARYLAND TAX PROGRAM



<50 Employees



For profit company



2022 Calendar year



50% Dollar for dollar tax credit



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Cyber Security Risk
Assessment**

Q&A





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