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SUBJECT: Cybersecurity Resources for Small Businesses from the Department of Defense.

It is of paramount importance to the Department of Defense (DoD) to protect small businesses in the defense industrial base (DIB) against cyber-attacks from the full spectrum of cyber actors, from simple criminal ransomware attacks to sophisticated nation state campaigns. With the rule codifying the Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) Program finalized, it is increasingly important for small businesses in the DIB to understand DoD resources are available to them to help them increase their cyber readiness and strengthen their overall cyber defense posture. The purpose of this memorandum is to outline these resources for Small Business Program Offices and stakeholders across the DoD and members and advisors of the Small Business Integration Group, so that collectively these organizations can provide comprehensive and coordinated guidance to industry and simplify access to DoD resources for those entities seeking support. The following list describes cybersecurity assistance resources available from the DoD:

- The DoD Office of Small Business Programs (OSBP) established Project Spectrum, which is an all-inclusive learning platform that provides resources, tools, and training about cybersecurity best practices, and offers access to a cadre of cyber advisors available for one-on-one guidance. Project Spectrum is focused on preparing companies for CMMC and aims to improve cybersecurity practices in the DIB. Project Spectrum resources can be accessed at no cost to small businesses at <https://www.projectspectrum.io/>. The Project Spectrum resources can also be

- accessed through DoD's 90+ APEX Accelerators across the country that help companies learn how to do business with DoD and other government agencies. A list of APEX Accelerators can be found at www.apexaccelerators.us.
- The DoD Chief Information Officer (CIO) provides informational guides and supplemental documentation designed to support companies in defining the scope of a CMMC assessment and in preparing for, or conducting, a CMMC assessment. The documentation can be accessed at <https://dodcio.defense.gov/cmmc/Resources-Documentation/>.
 - The DoD Cyber Crime Center (DC3) DoD-DIB Collaborative Information Sharing Environment (DCISE) operates DoD's DIB Cybersecurity Program. The program is available to all DoD contractors that store or process Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI) as part of their duties. DC3 provides cyber threat information and free cybersecurity services that cover a wide range of cyber threats and support DIB companies on their CMMC journey. More information can be found at www.dc3.mil.
 - The National Security Agency's (NSA) Cybersecurity Collaboration Center (CCC) established the Cybersecurity as a Service (CSaaS) program to protect the networks and intellectual property of small and medium sized DIBs from nation-state threats and cybercriminals. The CSaaS program consists of four free services, which align to several CMMC controls and are available to qualifying businesses with active Department of Defense contracts. The services are enriched with NSA's Signals Intelligence and Cybersecurity insights and discover, block, and mitigate vulnerabilities present in external and internal DIB networks. More information can be found at nsa.gov/ccc.
 - The Department of the Air Force (DAF) Chief Information Security Officer's (CISO) Blue Cyber Education Series for Small Businesses provides free and open-to-the-public cybersecurity information and support. More information can be found at www.safcn.af.mil/CISO/Small-Business-Cybersecurity-Information/.
 - The Defense Acquisition University (DAU) hosts the DAU Cyber Solutions program with weekly small business cybersecurity acquisition webinars on topics such as CMMC, Cyber Incident Reporting and Cybersecurity for Contracts. More information can be found at www.dau.edu/events.

For more information on these resources, the relevant government points of contact are listed below:

- Project Spectrum, DoD OSBP: Dr. Bryson Reynolds, bryson.b.reynolds.civ@mail.mil
- DoD CIO: <https://dodcio.defense.gov/CMMC/Contact/>
- DoD DC3 DCISE: DC3.DCISE@us.af.mil or 410-981-0104
- CSaaS, NSA CCC: Bailey Bickley, babickl@uwe.nsa.gov
- DAF CISO Blue Cyber: www.safcn.af.mil/Contact-Us/
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