

Cyber Readiness: What's the Score?

Utilizing small batch, artisanal data to
bring powerful insights



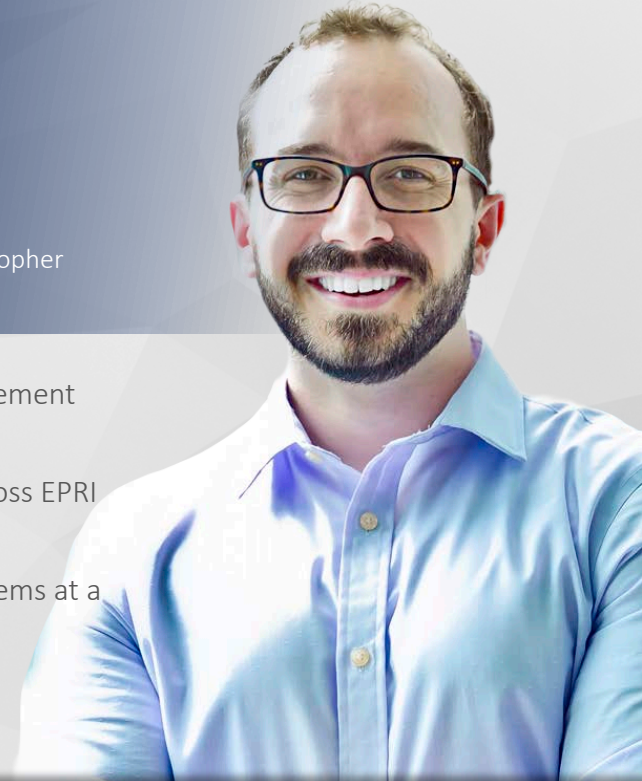
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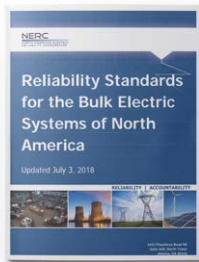
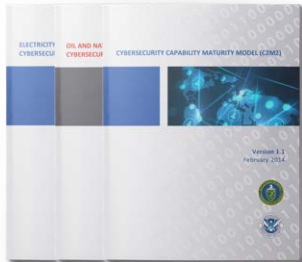


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- Security metrics development across EPRI and other research organizations
- Began career building control systems at a utility
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unlike most speakers **DON'T LISTEN TO ME**

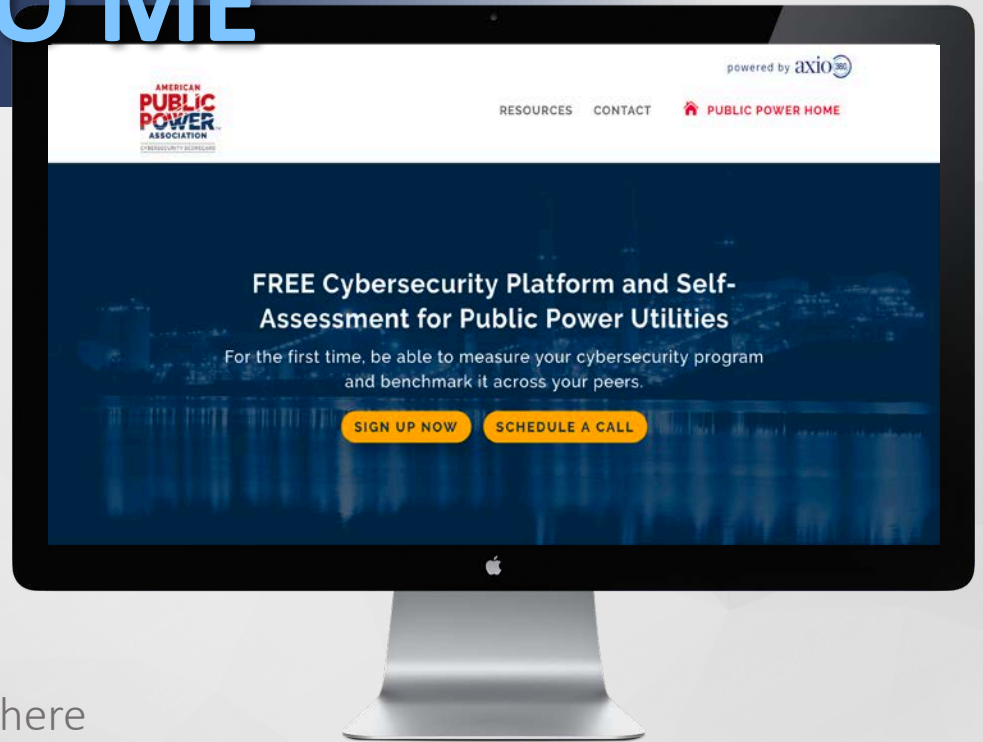
Be distracted, look things up!



Listen to your peers

- Over 250 public power utilities online
- 400+ active users
- Use cases from actual practitioners
- I'm just another pretty beard.

Visit: <http://scorecard.axio.com> while I'm here



myth #1

GETTING DATA IS HARD ☹️

Then you're doing this wrong

▶ **You really mean “I need the right starting point”**

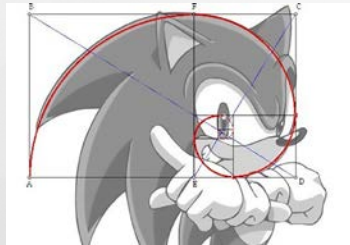
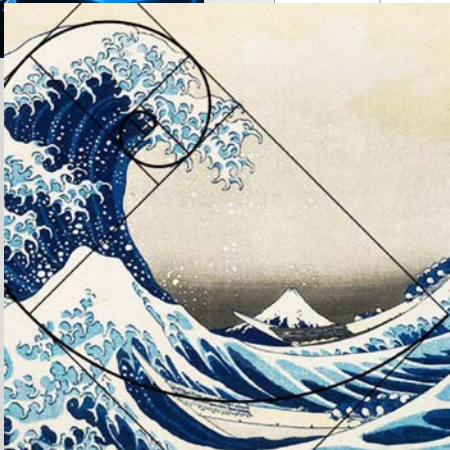
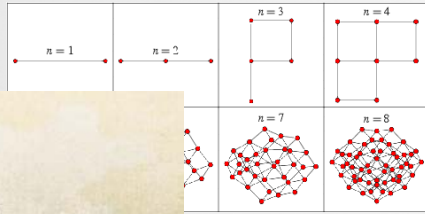
- What *can* you measure? Start somewhere
- Understand that metrics improve with time (only barbarians measure in “stones” and “feet”)
- Resources may be constrained at first
 - But if you don't try, it won't get better

Literally, just do *something*.



myth #2

SECURITY IS AN ART



Really bad argument here...

► **There's measurement in almost everything**

- Can you document something?
- Can you count something?
- Observe the trends where you can

Literally, just do *anything*.

myth #3

THIS TAKES TOO MUCH TIME

Engineering 101: “Optimize within your constraints.”

▶ **Size your efforts to your team**

- Team of 1? That still works (more on this later)
- Don't boil the ocean and don't build a team to “admire the problem.”
- Anything worth doing takes time and effort!

“If you're not keeping score, you're just practicing” – Vince Lombardi



A silhouette of a person pushing a large ball up a hill. The person is on the left side of the frame, pushing a large, dark sphere up a dark, curved slope. The background is a solid blue color.

how did i

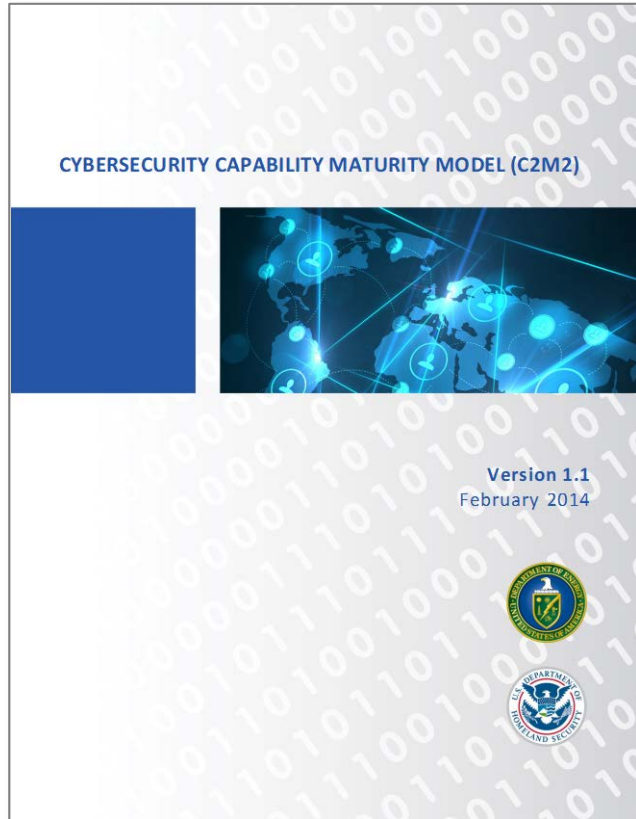
START?



ARE YOU #CyberReady?

The American Public Power Association is proud to present the all new Cybersecurity Scorecard. This robust platform is the result of a federally-funded cybersecurity improvement initiative that will be openly accessible to all Association members.

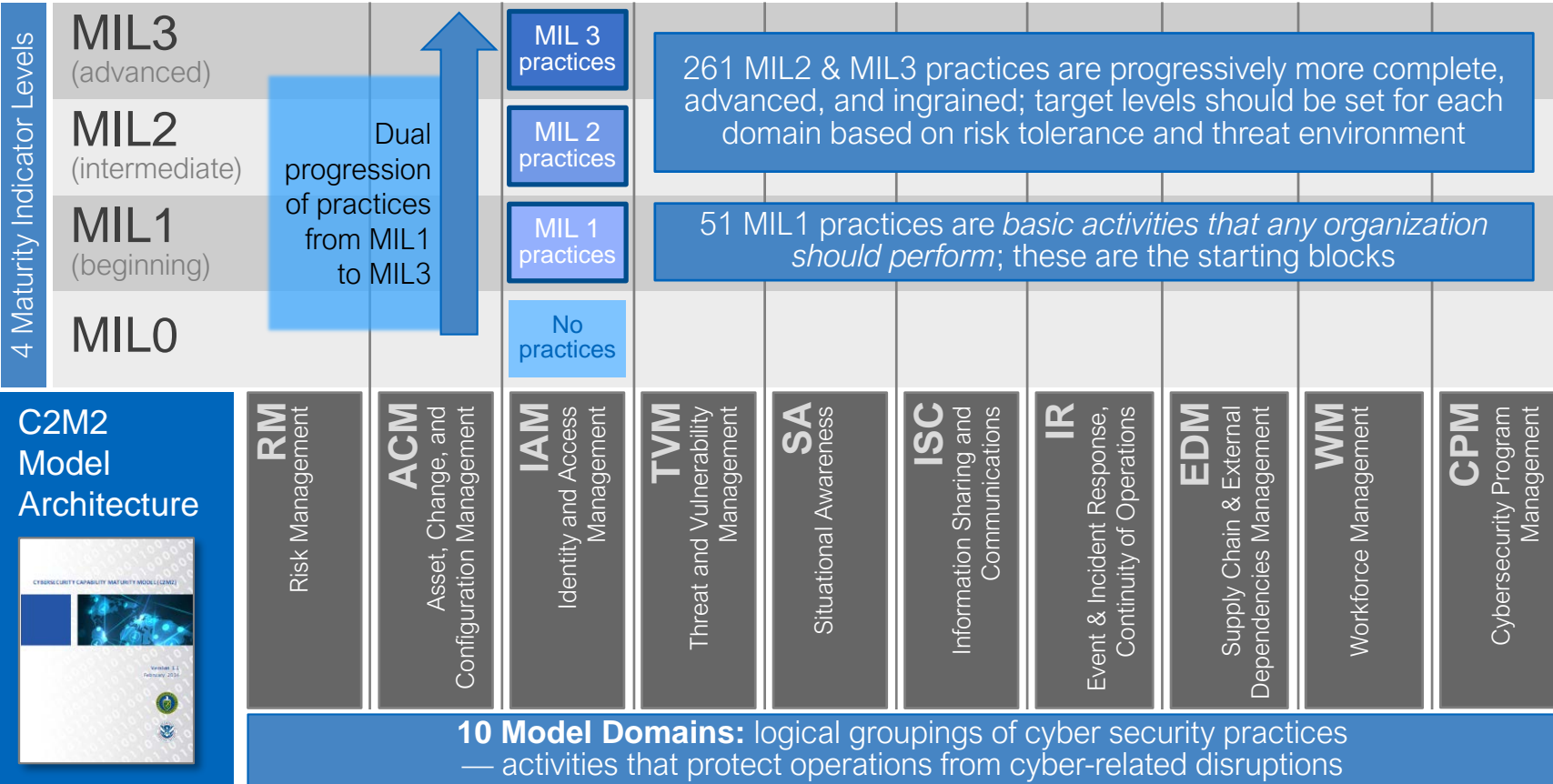
Cybersecurity Capability Maturity Model (C2M2) v1.1



A model and evaluation method to support ongoing evaluation and improvement of cybersecurity capabilities in IT and OT environments

Objectives

- Strengthen organizations' cybersecurity capabilities
- Enable organizations to effectively and consistently evaluate and benchmark cybersecurity capabilities
- Share knowledge, best practices, and relevant references as a means to improve cybersecurity capabilities.
- Enable organizations to prioritize actions and investments to improve cybersecurity



The Approach: Maturity Model

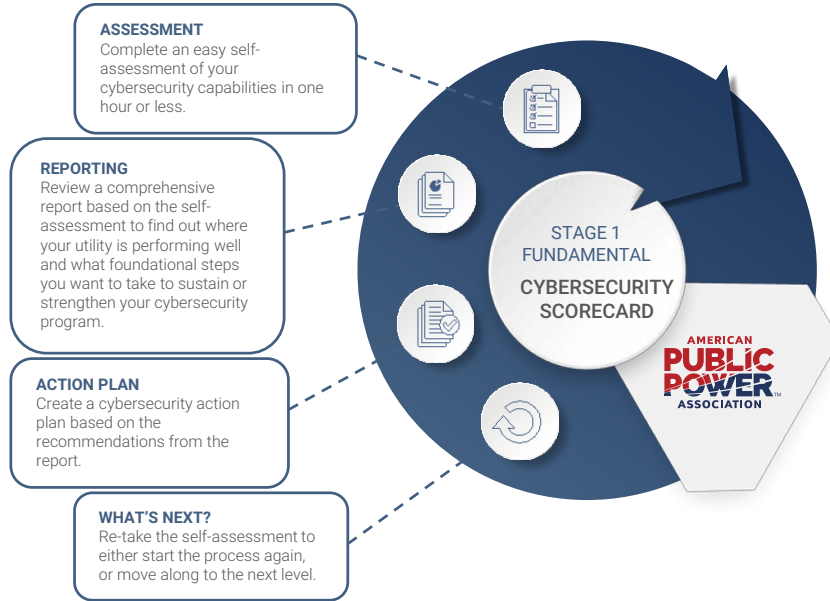
Maturity Model Definition:

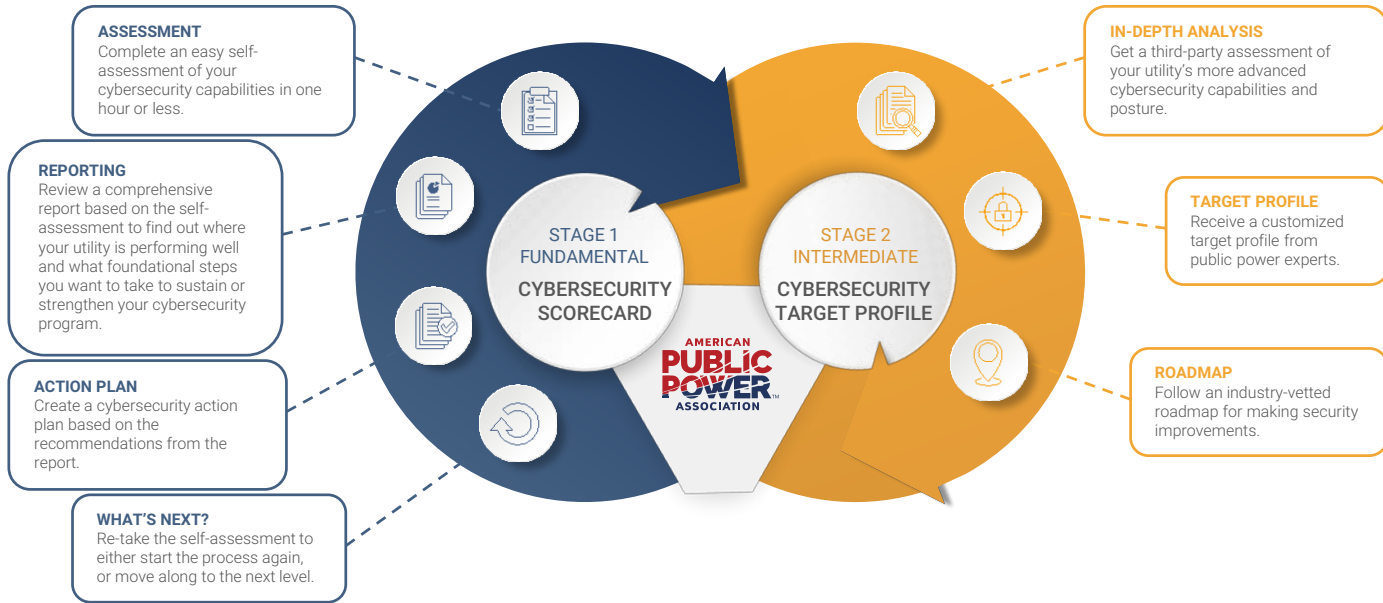
- An organized way to convey a path (a progression) of experience, wisdom, perfection, or acculturation.
- The subject of a maturity model can be an object or things, ways of doing something, characteristics of something, practices, or processes.

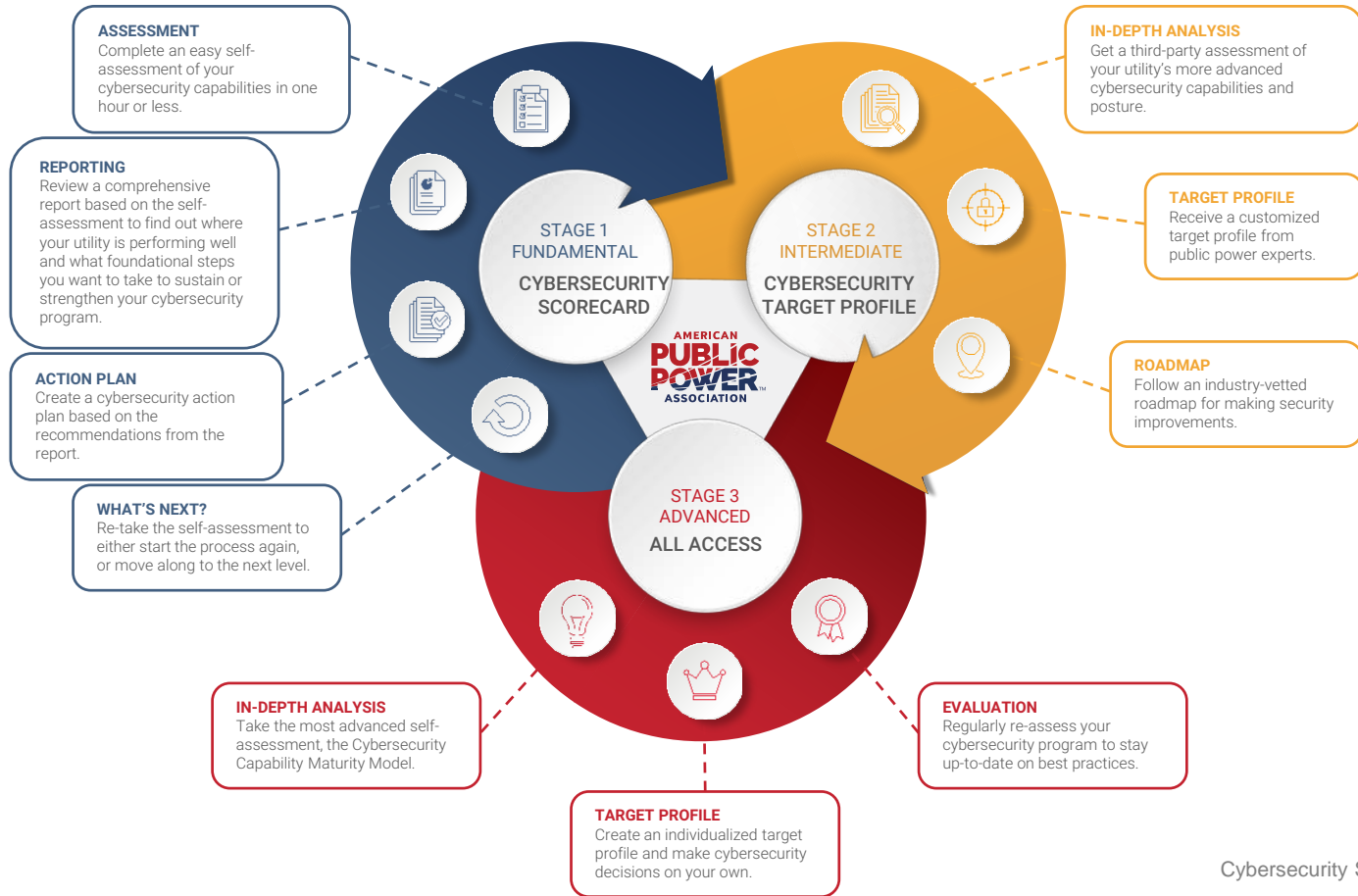


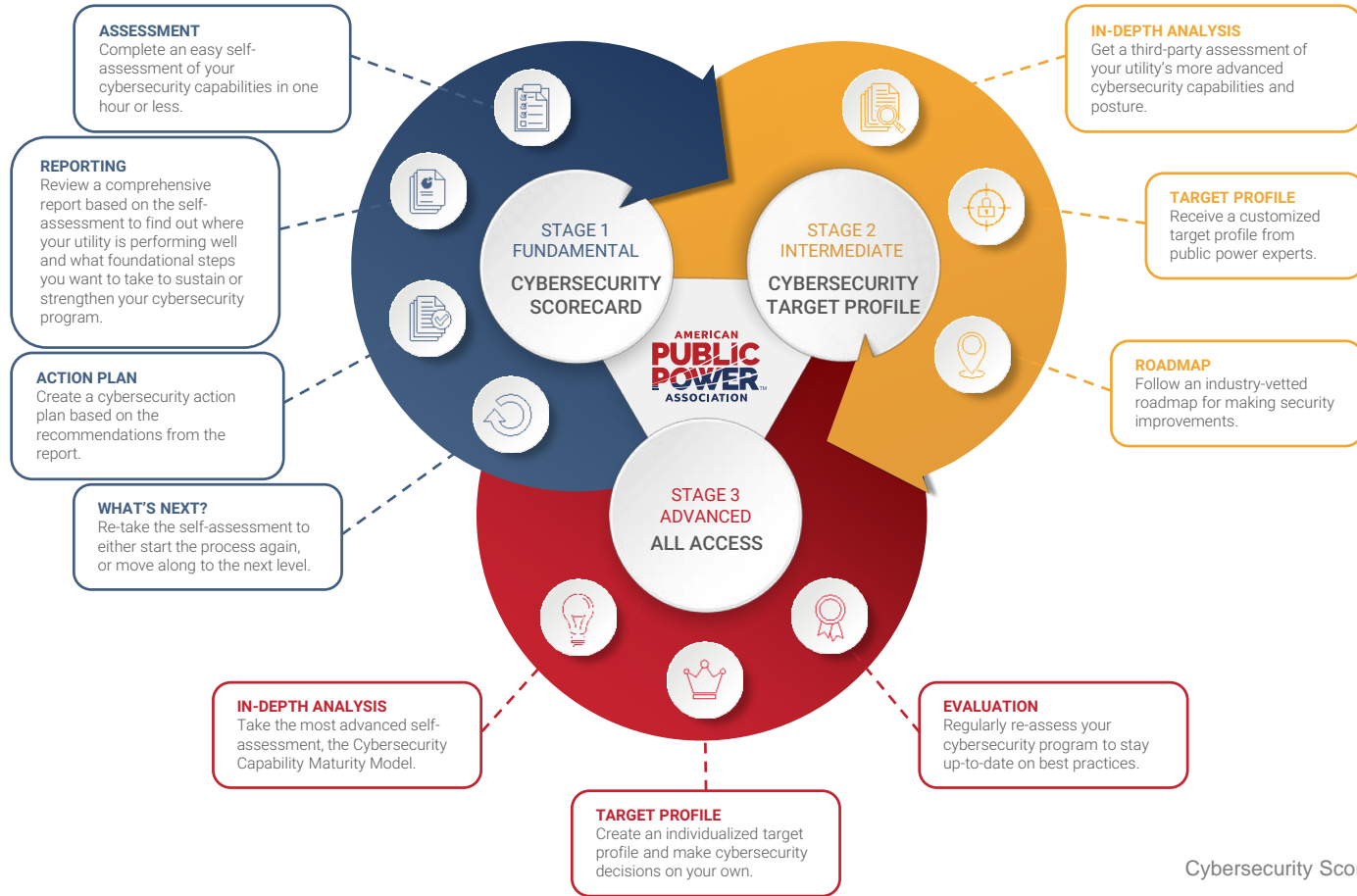


CYBERSECURITY SCORECARD









ONLINE PORTAL FEATURES

- Take notes for each practice within the platform.
- Assign tasks to individuals with deadlines.
- Help text in each section including definitions and concepts.
- User dashboard showcasing each assessment and various statistics in real time.
- Ability to do multiple internal assessments and benchmarking.
- Improvement toolkit including document templates, policies and example policies.
- Regional workshops to provide additional help and guidance.
- Suggestions for cybersecurity training.
- Expert coaching
- Ability to tie to other association projects, such as technology deployments and vulnerability assessments.
- Each level is capable of being a fully sustainable cybersecurity program and can be reassessed on a regular basis to track improvements.

1. Browse to **https://publicpower.axio.com**
2. Click 'Register'
 - a. Register with your work email (you will need access to your email)
 - b. Set a password ≥ 12 characters
 - c. Check email for verification code, enter code in browser
 - d. Login

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Cyber - Cybersecurity Capability Maturity Model

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NEW ASSESSMENT

Scorecard

Full C2M2

WELCOME APPA

1. Open the menu by clicking the down arrow near your user name

2. Select "Scorecard"

Once you have successfully logged in the first time, you should see this screen.

The Axio Quick Launch



01. take the **QUICK LAUNCH** The Quick Launch is the easiest way to establish an initial baseline.



02. complete **FULL** your team to gather input and distribute work.



03. set a **TARGET PROFILE** A Target Profile provides a level you can drive toward. Create your own, or adjust the ones provided.



04. track **ACTION ITEMS & NOTES** Each practice supports the creation of action items and keeping track of assigned work.



05. track your **PROGRESS** Using the platform throughout the year makes it easy to see and report progress.



This process is designed to be dynamic and repeatable, allowing you to continuously reassess your processes for perpetual improvement.

Enter your scope.
You will be able to edit later if you need to refine it.

New Assessment

Model

Cybersecurity Scorecard

Scope

Subset being evaluated

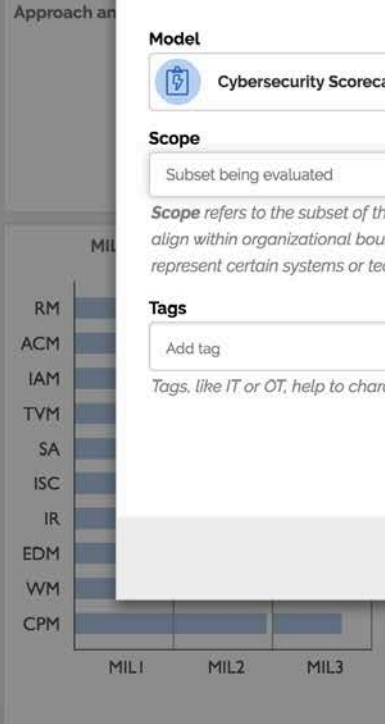
Scope refers to the subset of the organization that is being evaluated. This subset, or function, could align within organizational boundaries (e.g., departments; lines of business; facilities) or could equally represent certain systems or technology areas that cross organizational boundaries.

Tags

Add tag

Tags, like IT or OT, help to characterize the scope of the assessment.

CANCEL SAVE



Improvements to reach target

0

Upcoming Targets

No targets

Action Items

No action items



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Transmission
C2M2 — Cybersecurity Capability Maturity Model

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- Wastewater Treatment
May 14th, 2018 - 01:53pm
1
- conference center
May 2nd, 2018 - 05:31pm
1
- Mayfield Power Station
Apr 30th, 2018 - 05:42pm
1
- Generation
Apr 30th, 2018 - 05:25pm
1
- Hayfield-Sub
Apr 30th, 2018 - 01:51pm
1
- Transmission
Apr 30th, 2018 - 10:34am
1



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1. Cyber Asset Inventory

A utility cybersecurity program needs to understand and control the IT, OT, and information assets that are necessary to sustain reliable operations. Assets might be systems devices, including traditional IT computers, routers, and servers, but might also include OT equipment such as programmable logic controllers (PLCs) and other control system elements. Also, inventories need to be kept up to date throughout the lifecycle of such assets.

Notes:

Please select all the responses that best describe your activities. Keep in mind that the active manner.

- A We have an inventory of the IT and OT assets, including computers, relays, and other devices.
- B We have an inventory of important information, and/or financial data.
- C We log changes that are made to inventoried assets.
- D We evaluate or test changes to inventoried assets before the changes are made.
- E None of the above.

- Complete the Scorecard by answering all 14 questions for your evaluation scope.
- Let us know if you need help with interpretation.
- Record comments as you see fit.



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RETURN TO DASHBOARD

WELCOME DAN

14. Cyber Security Program Management

A cybersecurity program is a managed set of activities designed to provide governance for the utility. Such a program would typically include objectives for improving cybersecurity over time and a foundational strategy for managing cybersecurity and would provide leadership and resources for cybersecurity activities across the utility.

Notes:

Please select the response(s) that best describe your cybersecurity program capabilities. **Keep in mind that the activities may be performed in an ad hoc manner.**

- A We have a strategy for our cybersecurity program.
- B We have resources (people, funding, and tools) for our cybersecurity program.
- C
- D
- E

When you've answered all 14 questions, click the "Finish" button

IT Enterprise Level - demo
Nov. 16th, 2018 - 03:33pm
6 people 2 days

Quick Launch Demo
Nov. 14th, 2018 - 02:24pm
1 person

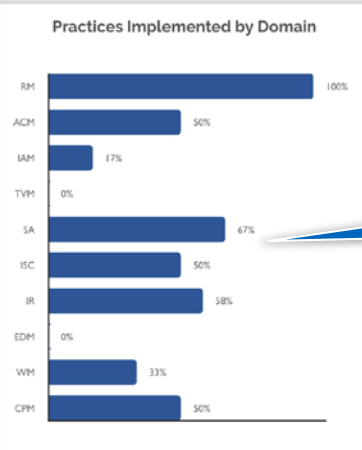
OT Distribution Operation...
Nov. 13th, 2018 - 06:16pm

Scorecard results will populate your dashboard

NERC CIP C2M2 Medium ...
Sep. 10th, 2018 - 12:57pm
4 people

NERC CIP C2M2 High de...
Sep. 10th, 2018 - 12:56pm

Mentions **0** Incomplete **31**



ADDITIONAL FEATURES COMING SOON



Upcoming Targets

ACM-3a	Fully Implemented
ACM-3b	Fully Implemented
ACM-2b	Fully Implemented
IAM-2c	Fully Implemented
IAM-1a	Fully Implemented
IAM-2a	Fully Implemented
IAM-2b	Fully Implemented
TVM-2a	Fully Implemented
TVM-3b	Fully Implemented

Action Items

10-31-2018	IAM-1b	Research best practices
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Recommendations

Systems, and processes, whether internal or

IAM-1a Identities are provisioned, at least in an ad hoc manner, for personnel and other entities (e.g., services, devices) who require access to assets (note that this does not preclude shared identities)

Issue credentials for all entities requiring access to assets

IAM-1b Credentials are issued, at least in an ad hoc manner, to all entities requiring access to assets (e.g., passwords, smart cards, certificates, keys)

Define access requirements for organizational assets to ensure they are properly protected from unauthorized use. (more)

IAM-2a Access requirements, including those for remote access, are determined (access requirements are determined based on the sensitivity of the information, the criticality of the information, the potential impact of unauthorized access, and the nature of the information)

Results breakdown by domain

Improvement recommendations based on scorecard responses

Results: Scorecard

Resilience & Security Pilot

Introduction

Welcome to the pilot version of the Public Power Resilience and Security Maturity Model. This pilot is designed to test the Stage 1 survey for all public power utilities, regardless of size of electric grid functionality. Your participation and insights are invaluable to this effort. The scope defined for this evaluation includes the following: IT OT .

Questions

Each question has descriptive text to help inform participants as they progress through the survey. Respondents have been instructed to select all answers that apply for each question, as each activity adds to the general score. The survey is intended to capture what activities are performed at a utility, even if they are performed in an ad hoc manner.

Each question maps to a MIL1 practice in the full C2M2. The associated C2M2 practice designation is included in the last column of the tables below. MIL1 practices address basics that experts believe are necessary and within reach of all utilities. A list of specific recommendations is included at the end of this report.

Scoring

The score for this model is plotted along a simple index ranging from 0-300 (similar to credit score reporting). Respondents who attain a score of at least 240 or higher should consider moving to the next phase of the Public Power Resilience and Security Maturity Model.

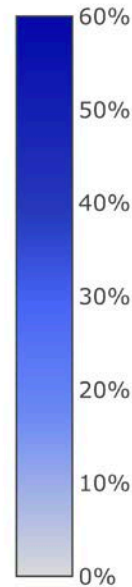
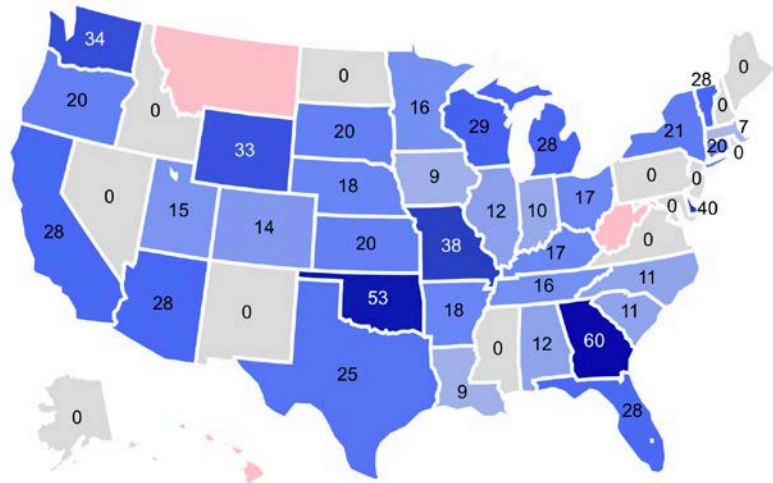
Respondents who receive scores lower than 240 should address additional foundational cybersecurity practices before moving forward. Supporting resources can be found at: <https://www.publicpower.org/topic/cybersecurity>.



Cybersecurity Scorecard Today



Platform Users as Percent of all Medium and Large Municipal Utilities



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