

## Operational Policy

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### Purpose

The Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) and Oregon Health Authority (OHA) are committed to ensuring the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of information assets and systems by protecting those assets and systems from unauthorized access, modification, destruction, or disclosure and ensuring their physical security. The purpose of an information security risk assessment (ISRA) is to identify and assess the threats and vulnerabilities that pose a risk to ODHS|OHA information assets. Risk assessment supports the management of risk and the selection of cost-effective controls.

### Description

This policy ensures that ODHS and OHA information assets and systems are assessed for potential risks and vulnerabilities so the agencies can maintain the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of all protected information.

### Applicability

This policy applies to all ODHS and OHA staff including employees, volunteers, trainees, and interns as well as contractors, partners and business associates.

As keepers of the public trust, all agency employees have a responsibility to comply with state and agency policies, administrative rule, and state and federal law. The agency takes this responsibility seriously and failure to fulfill this responsibility is not treated lightly. Employees who fail to comply with state or agency policy, administrative rule, or state and federal law may face progressive discipline, up to and including dismissal from state service.

### Policy

1. ODHS and OHA shall take appropriate measures to safeguard the confidentiality, integrity and availability of all protected information.

2. ODHS and OHA shall develop, implement and maintain a risk assessment program that identifies potential threats and vulnerabilities to information assets and systems to include all forms of digital media<sup>1</sup>.
3. Digital media is any form of electronic media designed to store data in a digital format. This includes but is not limited to memory device in laptops, computers, and mobile devices; and any removable, transportable electronic media, such as magnetic tape or disk, optical disk, flash drives, external hard drives, or digital memory card.
4. The Information Security and Privacy Office (ISPO) will use the results from risk assessments to advise the agency on appropriate measures to safeguard against identified risks, in accordance with federal and state statute and rule program requirements.
5. The ISPO shall assess agency information systems and the information processed, stored or transmitted for the likelihood and magnitude of harm resulting from unauthorized use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction of the system or information, as required by law based on the information in each system.
6. Risk assessments shall include an evaluation of:
  - a. Administrative security safeguards.
  - b. Technical security and monitoring.
  - c. Physical security safeguards.
  - d. Compliance requirements.
7. Risk assessments shall be performed:
  - a. As needed based on the statutory and regulatory requirements.
  - b. When initiated by the Chief Information Risk Officer (CIRO).
  - c. When there are significant changes to the information system, the environment of operation, or other conditions that may impact the security of the system based on the information in each system.
8. ISPO shall communicate the results of risk assessments to management personnel for inclusion in the agencies' risk evaluation and management plans including the:
  - a. Chief information Officer
  - b. CIRO
  - c. Privacy Compliance Officer
  - d. Program section manager
  - e. Chief Audit Officer
9. All ODHS and OHA workforce members shall cooperate with staff doing risk assessments.

## References

[45 CFR 160 & 164](#)

[OAR 125-055-0100 to 125-055-0130](#)

[OAR 943-014-0400 to 943-014-0465](#)

[MARS-E Document Suite, Version 2.0, Volume III: Catalog of Minimum Acceptable Risk Security and Privacy Controls for Exchanges](#)

[Criminal Justice Information Systems Security Standards \(CJIS\)](#)

[CJIS Security Policy 5.9](#)

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[Federal Information Processing Standards \(FIPS\) Publication \(Pub\) 199](#)  
[Federal Information Processing Standards \(FIPS\) Publication \(Pub\) 200](#)  
[IRS Publication 1075, Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies](#)  
[National Institute of Standards and Technology \(NIST\) 800-30 Rev. 1](#)  
[National Institute of Standards and Technology \(NIST\) 800-37 Rev. 2](#)  
[National Institute of Standards and Technology \(NIST\) 800-39](#)  
[National Institute of Standards and Technology \(NIST\) 800-53 Rev. 5](#)  
[Social Security Administration Information Exchange Security Requirements and Procedures](#)  
[Statewide Information and Cyber Security Standards 2019](#)  
[Center for Internet Security Top Twenty Critical Security Controls](#)  
[ODHS|OHA 090-006-01 Information Security Risk Assessment Process](#)  
[ODHS|OHA 090-006-02 Information Security Risk Assessment Process Map](#)  
[ODHS|OHA 090-007 Information Technology Vulnerability Management Policy](#)  
[ODHS|OHA 090-007-01 Continuous Vulnerability Assessment Process](#)  
[ODHS|OHA 090-007-02 Continuous Vulnerability Assessment Process Map](#)

### **Related policies**

[DAS 107-004-052 Information Security](#)  
[DAS 107-004-120 Information Security Incident Response](#)  
[ODHS|OHA 090-005 Information Security Incident Management](#)  
[OHA 100-014 Report and Response to Privacy and Security Incidents](#)

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This policy shall be reviewed at least once every year to ensure relevancy.

### **Policy history**

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