

## Piloting Supply Chain Risk Management Practices for Federal Information Systems

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## What is NISTIR 7622 ? (con't)

- Guidance and recommended risk mitigating strategies for the acquiring federal agency only.
  NISTIR 7622 is not meant to be comprehensive.
- A set of practices to be used for HIGH-IMPACT LEVEL SYSTEMS (FIPS 199) – medium-impact dependent upon risk management approach.



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### NISTIR 7622 – What It Provides

- Roles and responsibilities.
- Best practices to augment baseline security controls.
- Helps determine which procurements should consider supply chain risk.
- Describes how to work with a supply chain risk management team to mitigate risk through careful security specifications and contract requirement.
- Looks at risks in the full lifecycle of COTS & GOTS.
  - Design, development, acquisition, system integration, system operation, and disposal.
- Serves a broad audience.
  - System owners, acquisition staff, system security personnel, system engineers, etc.



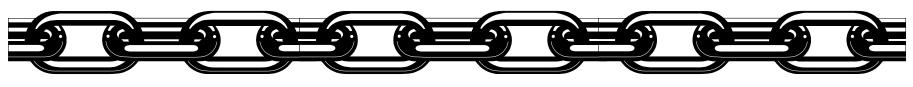


## NISTIR 7622 – What It Does NOT Do

#### NISTIR 7622 DOES NOT Provide:

- Specific contract language.
- Threat assessments.
- A complete list of supply chain assurance methods and techniques that mitigate supply chain threats.





## **SCRM** Terms

- Supply Chain The set of organizations, people, activities, information, and resources for creating and moving a product or service (including its sub-elements) from suppliers through to an organization's customers.
  - +17 definition based on participants, systems, functions, processes, objectives, etc.
- Element Includes: COTS and GOTS (software, hardware and firmware) and synonymous with components, devices, products, systems, and materials. A part of a system. Synonym for component. An element may be implemented by products or services.
- Acquirer For this document, the acquirer is always a government agency (including those agencies taking on the role of integrator).
- Integrator A third-party organization that specializes in combining products/elements of several suppliers to produce elements (information systems).
- Supplier Third-party organization providing individual elements. Synonymous with vendor and manufacturer; also applies to maintenance/disposal service providers.





## **Document Structure**

- **1.** Introduction
- 2. Implementing Supply Chain Risk Management
- **3.** Supply Chain Risk Management Practices
- **Appendix A Glossary**
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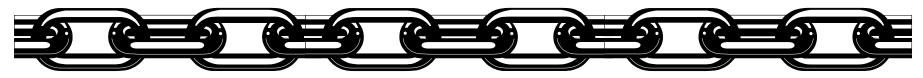


# Establish a SCRM Capability

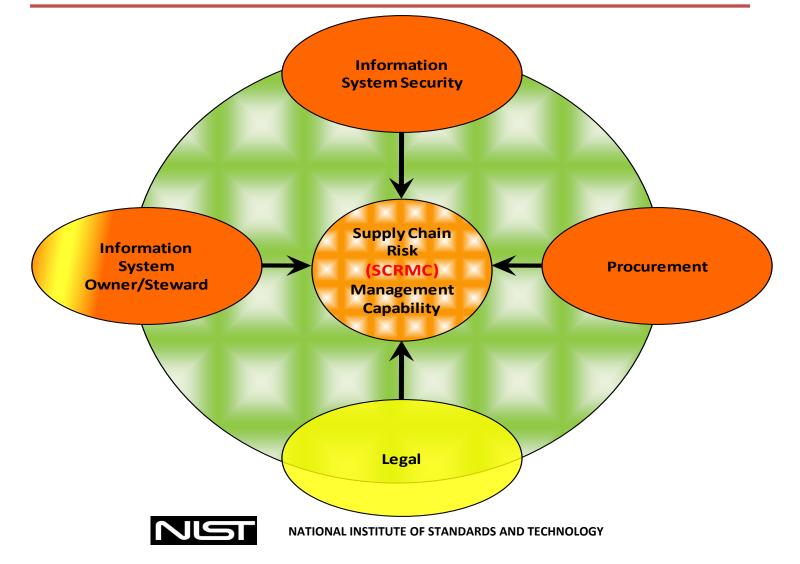
#### > Ad-hoc or formal team.

- Develop policy and procedures.
  - Determine who performs requirement analysis, makes risk decisions, prepares procurement related documents, and specifies any specific training requirements.



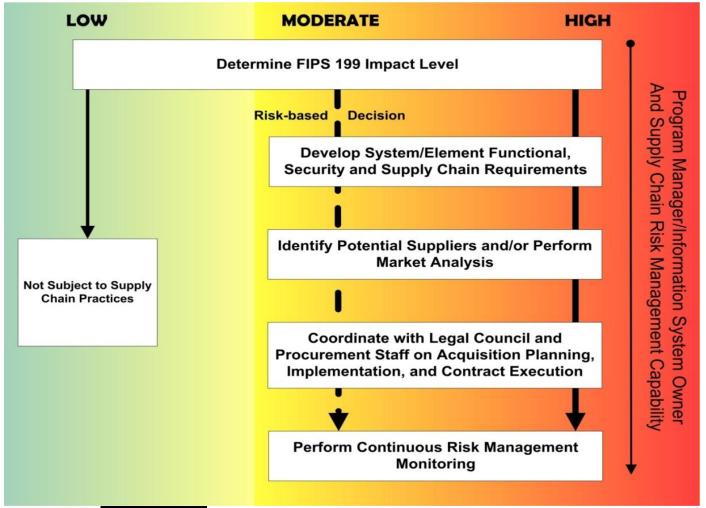


## Implementation – SCRM Approach





Integrated SCRM Procurement Process







## **Supply Chain Practices**

- > Topic areas include:
  - Procurement
  - Design/Development
  - Testing
  - Operational
  - Personnel
- > 21 varying practices:
  - Acquirer: Programmatic and validation activities
  - Supplier or integrator: General, technical and validation requirements.
  - Assumes the organization has a developed and implemented robust information security program.
  - Cover complete system development life cycle.





### Supply Chain Risk Management Practices

- 3.1: Maximize Acquirer's Visibility into Integrators and Suppliers
- 3.2: Protect Confidentiality of Element Uses
- 3.3: Incorporate Supply Chain Assurance in Requirements
- **3.4: Select Trustworthy Elements**
- 3.5: Enable Diversity
- 3.6: Identify and Protect Critical Processes and Elements
- 3.7: Use Defensive Design
- 3.8: Protect the Supply Chain Environment
- 3.9: Configure Elements to Limit Access and Exposure
- 3.10: Formalize Service/Maintenance
- 3.11: Test Throughout the System Development Lifecycle
- 3.12: Manage Configuration
- 3.13: Consider Personnel in the Supply Chain
- 3.14: Promote Awareness, Educate, and Train Personnel on Supply Chain Risk
- 3.15: Harden Supply Chain Delivery Mechanisms
- 3.16: Protect/Monitor/Audit Operational System
- 3.17: Negotiate Requirements Changes
- 3.18: Manage Supply Chain Vulnerabilities
- 3.19: Reduce Supply Chain Risks during Software Updates and Patches
- **3.20:** Respond to Supply Chain Incidents
- 3.21: Reduce Supply Chain Risks During Disposal





## NISTIR 7622: Current Work

- Updating draft based on public comments
  - Define and explain problem better.
    - History, issues, purpose, what IS SCRM?
  - What are we actually asking actors to do?
    - Resources: many activities already practiced that address various disciplines, including logistics, security, reliability, safety, quality control, etc.
    - Roles and responsibilities.
  - Implementation guidance.
    - Due diligence/caveat emptor.
  - Best practices specify foundational practices.
  - Use cases
  - Reference documentation NIST 800 53, FIPS 199, etc.





## NISTIR 7622: Future Work

- > Develop a new Options Plan for future supply chain work.
- Continuing to incorporate public comments in the Draft NIST IR 7622.
- Continue to incorporate feedback from ongoing pilots in the Draft NIST IR 7622.
- Investigate the possibility of utilizing various supply chain tools to help manage relationships.
- Continue to meet with private and public sector stakeholders to obtain additional input into Draft NIST IR 7622.
- Workshop contingent upon budget and availability of funds.
- Open to suggestions.





# Thank you

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