



DSS Monthly Newsletter

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(Sent on behalf of ISR)

Dear FSO,

This is the monthly email containing recent information, policy guidance, security education and training updates. If you have any questions or recommendations for information to be included, please feel free to let us know.

INFORMATION

IMPORTANT REMINDER NOTICE

2014 Annual Personnel Security Investigations (PSI) Survey Deployment Timelines

Annual NISP PSI Requirements Projection Survey-Two stages:

STAGE TWO-March 2014:

Deployment of the annual web-based survey to identify Facility Personnel Security Investigation requirements for FY15-17. The Survey will be fielded on or about March 10, 2014 and will remain open for four weeks.

Facility participation in the Survey is critical to DoD program planning and budgeting for NISP security clearances and forecasting workload requirements by the Office of Personnel Management.

Survey invitations will contain a securitysurveys.net survey link. As in years past, verification of the legitimacy of the Survey URL can be obtained through your Cognizant Security Office. If you have any questions, please send them to our mailbox: DSSPSISurvey2014@dss.mil.

Guidance on Managing Personnel Security Clearance Records in the Joint Personnel Adjudication System (JPAS) - Break in Access and Break in Employment

Link to article

http://www.dss.mil/documents/Posting_for_Contractors_-_Managing_PerSec_Records_in_JPAS.pdf

CHANGES TO DIA OFFICE OF SECURITY

During the past year, the DIA Office of Security has undergone significant organizational changes which required SSO DIA to change the naming and coding conventions on several of their messaging applications. One of these applications is their JPAS SMO code: DAC3C. The new SSO DIA SMO code is: XP124CS."

JPAS/SWFT/ISFD SYSTEM ACCESS APPLICANTS - SYSTEM ACCESS REQUEST (SAR) PROCESS

Please see http://www.dss.mil/about_dss/news/20110818.html for important information pertaining to changes affecting JPAS/SWFT/ISFD system access applicants; changes were implemented on June 1, 2013, in conjunction with the transfer of various DSS Call Center customer support services to the DMDC Contact Center. Thank you!

SECURITY EDUCATION AND TRAINING

NEW CDSE eLEARNING COURSE: "DSS SECURITY RATING PROCESS"

On February 5, 2014, CDSE released the "DSS Security Rating Process" Course (IS036.16).

This course provides an overview of the standardized DSS process for using the DSS Security Rating Matrix to assign a security rating. In this course, the students will learn about the Rating Matrix, how vulnerabilities are defined, what types of NISP enhancements are acceptable and their intent, and what follow-up actions are required upon completion of a Security Review.

Register today for the "DSS Security Rating Process" Course (IS036.16) at:

<http://www.cdse.edu/catalog/elearning/IS036.html>

As a reminder, students must also register for, and successfully pass, the accompanying "DSS Security Rating Process" Exam (IS036.06). Successful completion of the exam is required in order to receive a certificate of completion for this course.

CDSE WEBINARS

Our next Industrial Security Learn@Lunch webinar, "Potential Espionage Indicators (PEI): Detecting Actions Outside of the Norm," is scheduled for Thursday, March 13, 2014 at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. EST. This webinar will identify and explain indicators displayed by some of the most damaging spies in the U.S. intelligence community's history. Participants will review two case studies and determine what indicators should have been reported in each case. The goals are to raise awareness in the cleared contractor and federal sectors, and stop the next major spy case before it starts.

Go to: <http://www.cdse.edu/catalog/webinars/counterintelligence/potential-espionage-indicators.html> to sign up for this webinar.

Don't forget that CDSE offers other webinars that might also be beneficial to you and your security program. You can check out all of the CDSE upcoming webinars at:

<http://www.cdse.edu/catalog/webinars/index.html>.

Thanks,

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