

Virtual Chief Information Security Officer (vCISO)

Align cybersecurity strategy with your business priorities



Develop a unified, proactive cybersecurity strategy with an experienced C-level security executive

Does your business need a CISO?

An organization needs a security executive with a broad perspective who can bring together multiple, diverse disciplines into a unified cybersecurity strategy.

In large enterprises, this executive is usually the chief information security officer, or CISO. However, many midsize and smaller organizations do not have a C-level cybersecurity leader. Companies without a CISO are more likely to say their security strategy is insufficiently proactive¹.

Understand and improve your security posture

A Dell vCISO can work with your business and IT leaders to raise the organization's cyber hygiene posture to a level proportionate to its cybersecurity risk and data sensitivity.

Your vCISO is a C-level cybersecurity expert who acts as a member of your leadership team and helps you gain a view of the current state of your security posture and identify gaps. The vCISO guides your team in developing, prioritizing and implementing cybersecurity strategy, policies and roadmap.

More areas to which the vCISO can contribute include data governance standards, risk management, compliance and privacy.

vCISO | Key Benefits

- Develop a unified cybersecurity strategy with mutually reinforcing policies, procedures, operations
- Gain consensus on cybersecurity strategy with executive team
- Develop a prioritized roadmap of cybersecurity initiatives and improvements
- Promote the protection of information assets, particularly sensitive and regulated data
- Ensure compliance with external regulations and internal requirements
- Establish metrics and benchmarks to measure progress and ensure security stays at a high level



Define cybersecurity strategy and prioritized roadmap



Align cybersecurity investments, operations and governance with strategy



Measure security effectiveness and compliance

Strengthen cybersecurity posture

- Evaluate current state of organization's security posture
- Prioritize roadmap for improvements
- Define a security strategy and implementation plan
- Provide cybersecurity guidance and support to senior leaders

Align strategic and operational security

- Support development of key policies & procedures
- Determine a cybersecurity framework
- Propose, review and approve strategies, policies, technologies and processes
- Review & oversee handling of incidents, policy violations and breaches

Establish governance and track progress

- Define data governance standards
- Implement security roles & responsibilities
- Review, approve and promote awareness & training programs
- Select metrics for security effectiveness, risk, privacy, compliance
- Final assessment at engagement close

Choose Dell for cybersecurity services

Dell Technologies is an outstanding choice to be your security partner. Dell has deep experience in cybersecurity and infrastructure, plus thorough knowledge of leading security vendors, best practices, and emerging technologies. Dell offers services to help you reduce attack surface, protect assets and data, proactively monitor and respond to threats, and progress towards zero trust and cybersecurity maturity.

1. [How the CISO role is evolving](#), CSO, April 1 2021



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