Information Security

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TOPIC: Vendor Requirements

Vendors also known as "Contractors" pose a threat to an organization. If a vendor has vulnerabilities in their physical and logical environments, these vulnerabilities will be passed on to their clients. Essential vendors can be a point of entry for threat actors to their client's environment.

According to the Defensible Security objectives, vendors should understand and maintain the same (or a higher) security posture as the organization they are in contract with. Additionally, security requirements for vendors should be clearly stated in contracts. Contracts should be reviewed regularly and before they are renewed, organizations should ensure vendors are keeping to the requirements through regular audits.

UPCOMING SECURITY EVENTS:

- **Monthly Defensible Security Conference Call: Feb 27, 2019**
  At the next conference call, 2 control areas of Defensible Security will be discussed; Personnel & Physical Security and Vendor Requirements.

- **The last Conference Call in this series will be on: March 27, 2019**
  At the last conference call, 2 control areas of Defensible Security will be discussed; Defense in Depth on Endpoints & Networks and Vulnerability Management and Patching.

- **BC Security Day: June 13, 2019**
  The Province organizes two "Security Day" events annually, admission is free of charge and you can either attend in-person or via webcast. At the event, experts in the field of security present and discuss topics pertaining to advancement in technology and security implications. Join us for the 2019 spring Security Day and learn about "Smart Cities"; check our website for more information: http://www.gov.bc.ca/securityday.

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