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# ***ISO STANDARD IMPLEMENTATION AND TECHNOLOGY CONSOLIDATION***

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# *Initiative and Project Orientation*

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## Project Purpose

### *ISO Standard Implementation and Technology Consolidation*

- Develop a mature, effective, high-performance Information Technology division
- ITS will be guided by industry best practices and the requirements of the ISO 27002 information security standard
- Ensure all IT environments are ISO 27002 compliant and prepared for compliance audit.

## ISO 27002

### *ISO/IEC 27002:2013*

- Part of a family of standards for information security management designed to help organizations in protecting the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of university information and technology assets
- Used extensively at higher education institutions
- All Chancellors in UNC system agreed (2012) to use the ISO 27002 as the framework for information security policies

# Vantage Technology Consulting Group role

*Cathy Bates, Senior Consultant*

- Provide higher education specific expertise and experience
  - » 30 years experience in higher education
  - » Former CISO and CIO
- Collaborative leadership with state and national organizations
  - » UNC Information Technology Security Council
  - » Higher Education Information Security Council (EDUCAUSE)
  - » GRC Board, Conference Committees



# Vantage Technology Consulting Group role

*Jon Young, Senior Consultant*

- Provide higher education specific expertise and experience
  - » 22 years experience leading IT departments through change
  - » Consulting services with many higher education clients
- Technical depth and leadership in national organizations
  - » SANS Global Information Assurance Certification in Security Leadership
  - » SANS GIAC Advisory Board Member
  - » INFRAGARD



## Vantage Technology Consulting Group role

### *Technology Consulting for Colleges and Universities*

#### **Purpose | Driven | Technology | Thinking**

- Independent Technology Consulting firm
- Higher education, healthcare, public, corporate and commercial sectors
- Formed in 2001
- Offices in Los Angeles, Boston, San Francisco and New York





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# *PROJECT PHASES*

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## Project Phases

PHASE	SCOPE
<b>ISO Standard</b>	Information security governance, policies, standards, and baseline procedures within ISO framework
<b>Information Security Management</b>	Implement standards and procedures within ISO framework: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Infrastructure and network security</li><li>• enterprise-wide contingency plans</li><li>• security education program</li></ul>
<b>Compliance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• IT risk assessment</li><li>• network monitoring and vulnerability scanning program</li></ul>

## Post Implementation Program



## Overall Timeline and Effort

*2018 and ongoing to meet growing audit and compliance concerns*

- Major Impact: Technology teams across the University
- Periodic Impact: Administrators and Campus Users
  - » Governance
  - » Education and awareness
  - » Business Processes



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## *PHASE 1: ISO STANDARD*

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# Information Security Governance

## *Advisory Council*

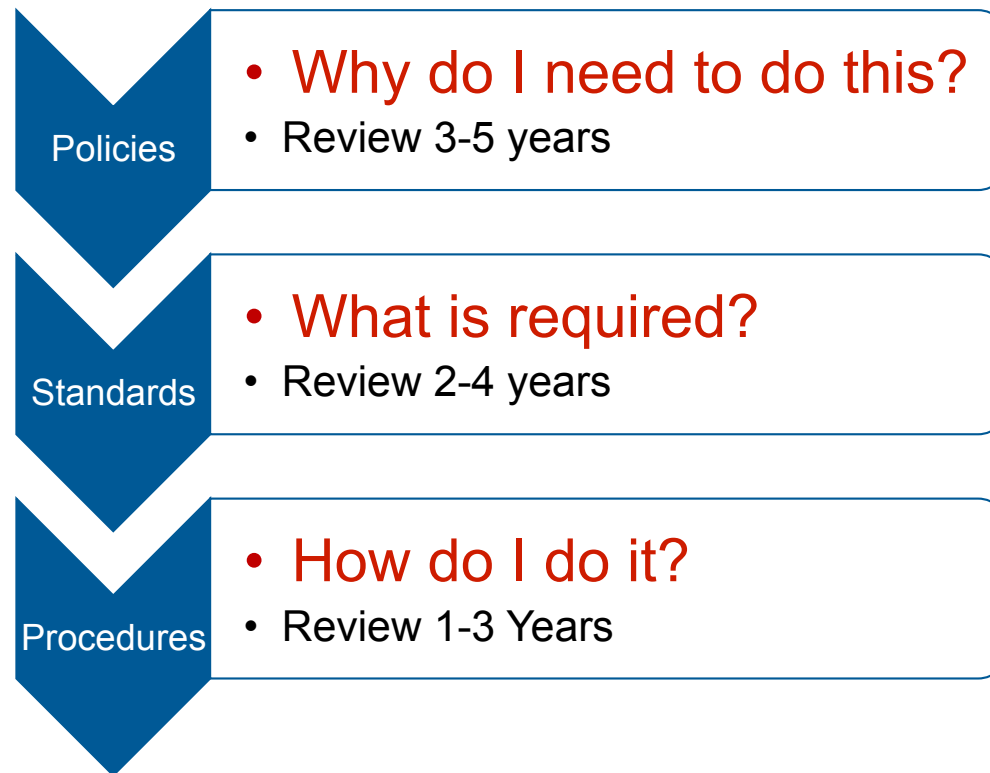
- Develop information security plan, including policies and standards, initiatives and services
- Evaluate and advise on risks
- Identify awareness and training needs

# Information Security Governance

## *Security Incident Response Team*

- Central response and management of incidents
- Security advisory distribution and information sharing
- Technical consulting, operations, remediation

## Policies, Standards, Baseline Procedures



## ISO Standard – Example Policies

- Asset Responsibility
  - » Responsibility, inventory, ownership, acceptable use and return
- Information Classification
  - » Classification, labeling, and handling
- Media Handling
  - » Management, transfer and disposal
- User Access
  - » Registration and de-registration, access provisioning, management of privileged access, review of access privileges



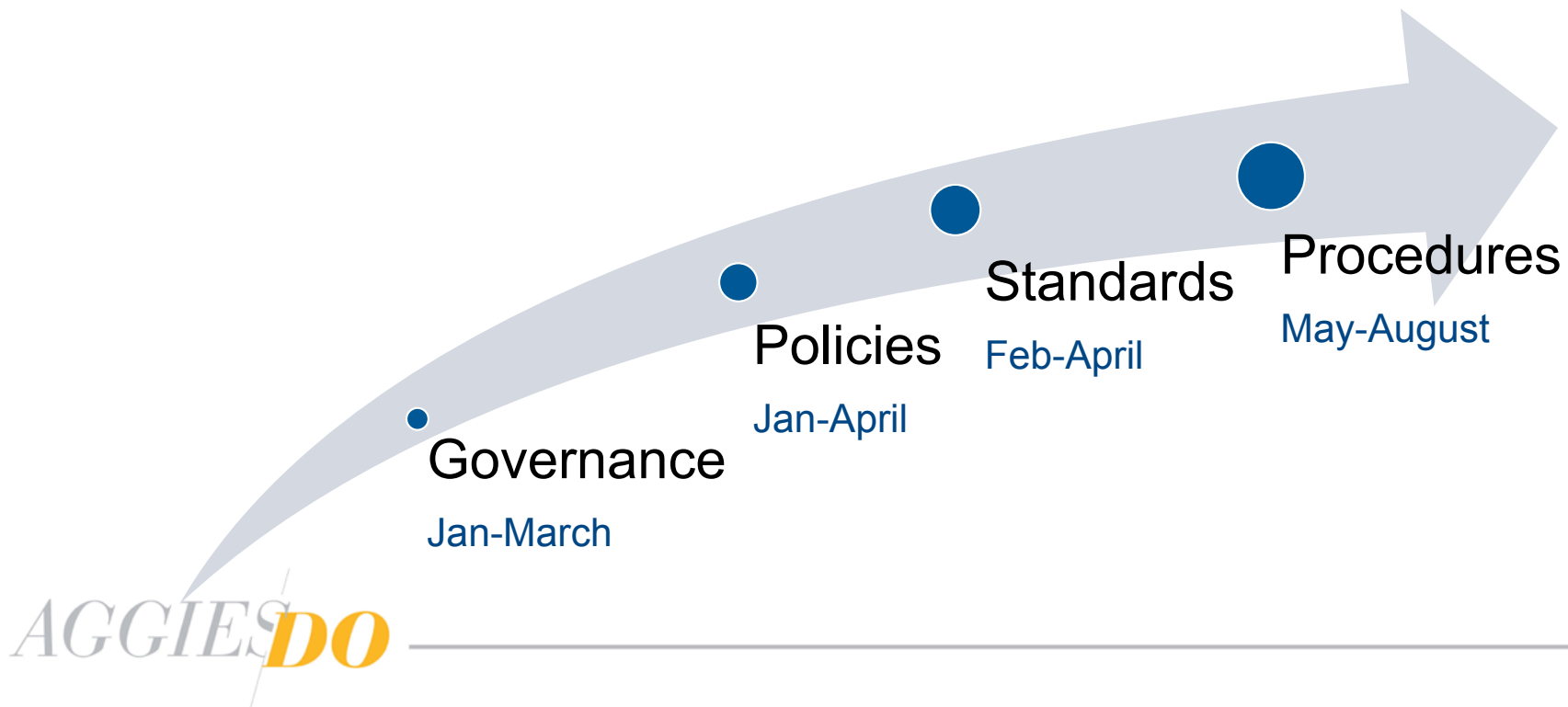
## **ISO Standard – Example Operating Standards**

- Application Administration
- Mobile Device Management
- Server Management
- Software Development Methodology

## ISO Standard – Example Procedures

- Application Administration Standard
  - » Account Provisioning
  - » Account Termination
  - » Authentication
  - » Access Approval
  - » Access Privilege Assignment
  - » Access Privilege Review
  - » Access Privilege Change

## ISO Standard Timeline





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## *PHASE 2: INFORMATION SECURITY MANAGEMENT*

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# Information Security Management

## *Vulnerability Scanning*

- **Inventory:** Which systems, where are they, who owns them?
  - » Registration and inventory management for critical devices
- **Scanning:** Scanning tool with templates to look for standard system and application vulnerabilities and security patches
  - » Scanning Program for ISO, PCI, other compliance needs
- **Remediation:** Understanding and fixing vulnerabilities
  - » Management of reports, remediation, clean scan, cycle of scans

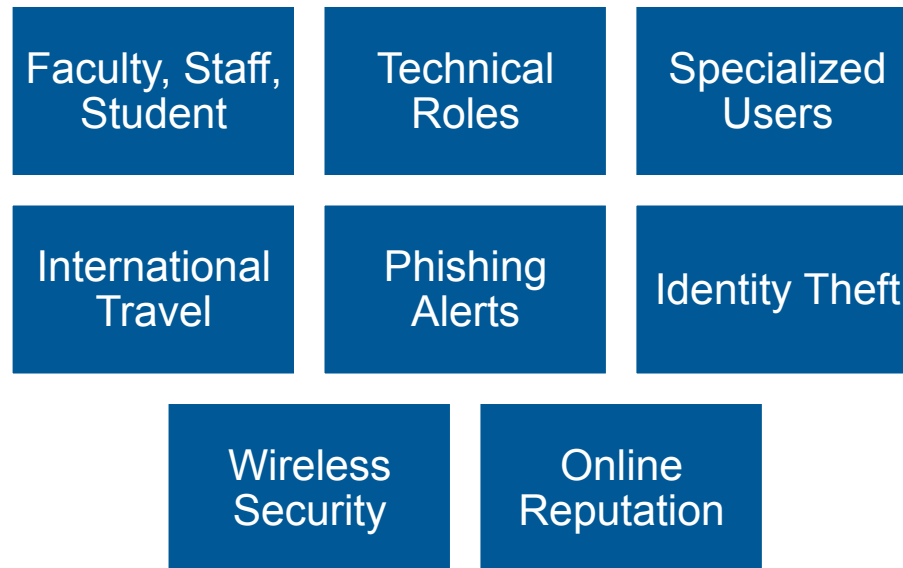
# Information Security Management

*Initial Projects, Remediation Projects, Strategic Projects*

<b>Initial</b>	Known infrastructure issues such as upgrades, enterprise practices, security practices
<b>Remediation</b>	Issues documented during vulnerability scanning and information security assessments for all environments
<b>Strategic</b>	Projects to manage security objectives, shrink security footprint, address security architecture with IT infrastructure

# Information Security Management

## *Security Education Program*



# Information Security Management

## *Contingency Planning*

SCOPE	WHO
Campus-wide emergency response	Business & Finance / ITS
Disaster recovery plans	All IT environments
Business continuity plans	All departments



# Information Security Management

## *IT Security Management Program Development*

A program is an organizational effort defined to meet an overarching goal.

A program includes all the collective:

- » *Vision, Goals, Strategy, Governance*
- » *Planning, Projects and*
- » *Daily Operations*

necessary to meet the program mission.



# Information Security Management

*IT Security  
Management  
Program Strategy*

Makes sense of the competing compliance pressures



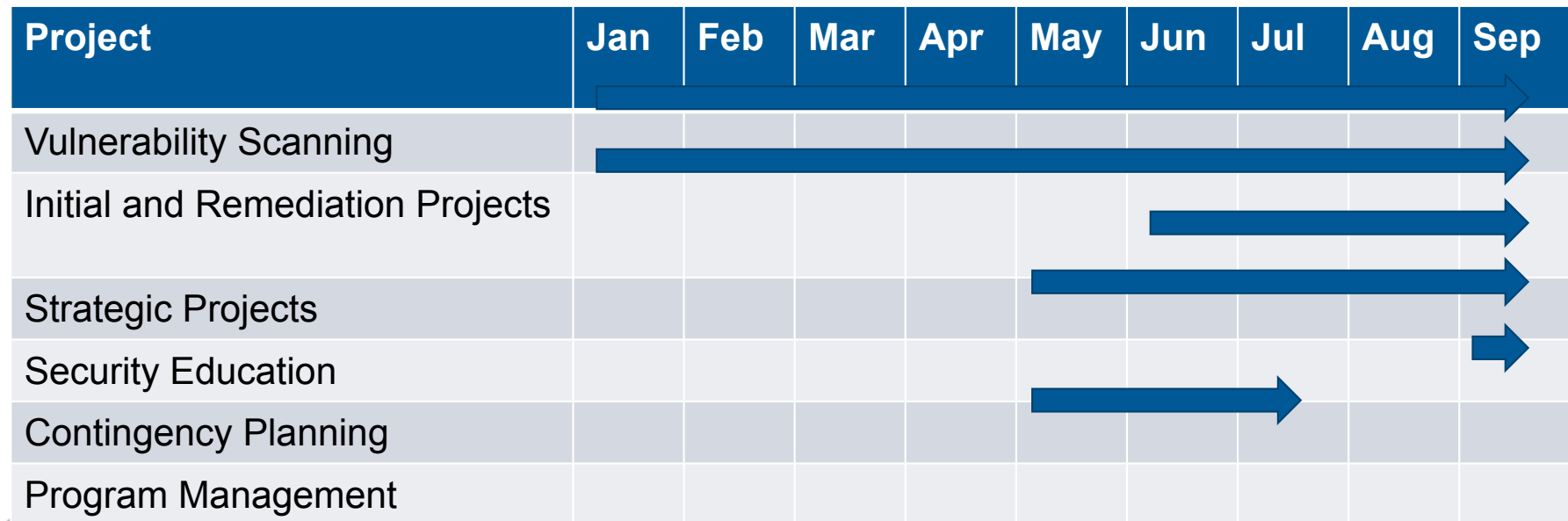
Coordinates initiatives to highlight direction and vision



Aligns overall costs and benefits against other institutional goals

# Information Security Management

## *Timeline*





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## *PHASE 3: COMPLIANCE*

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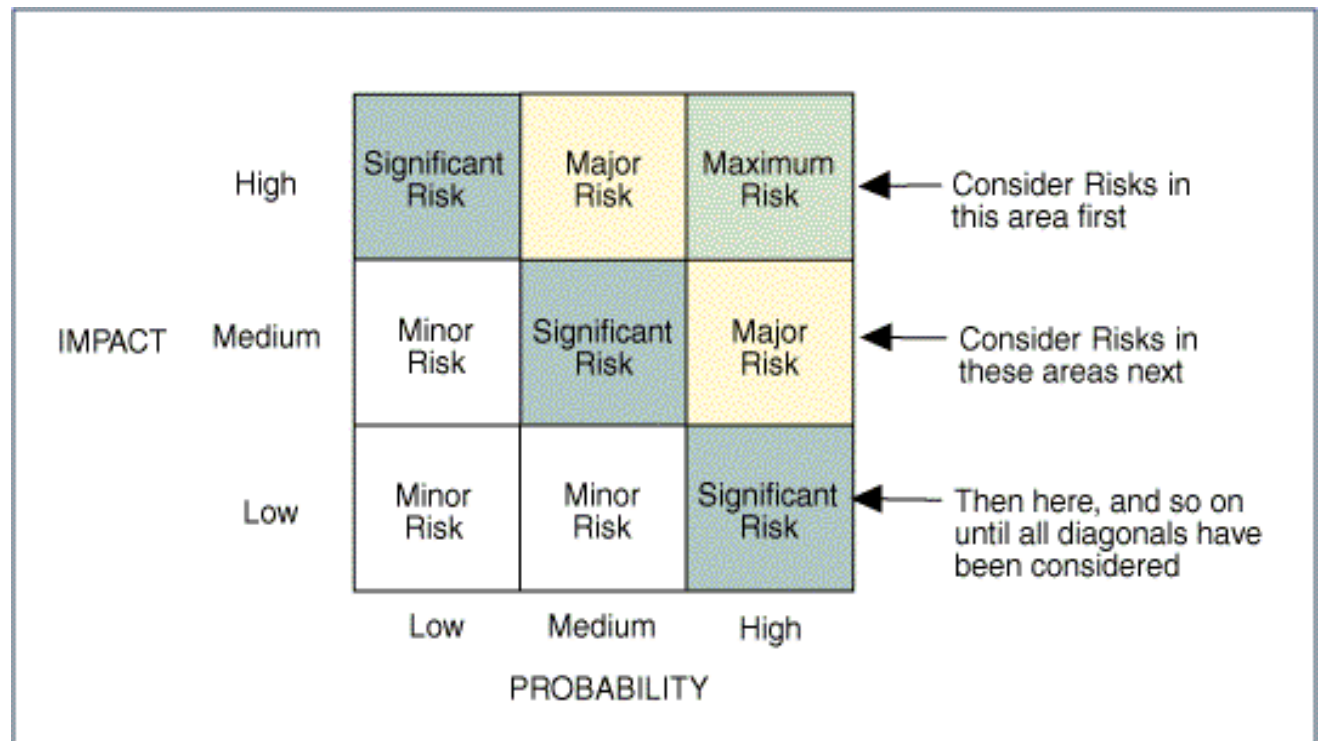
# Compliance

## *Information Security Assessment*

- Complete an Information Security risk assessment
  - » HEISC maturity assessment tool (based on ISO standard)
  - » For **every department** managing IT services
  - » All assessments require work plans – could require lots of coordination
  - » Performed annually
  - » Results are prioritized by risk and become part of the IT Risk Assessment

# Compliance

## *Information Security Risk Assessment*



# Compliance

## *IT Risk Assessment*

- **IT risk** is the **potential** for an **unplanned, negative outcome**.
- IT risk is a **business risk** consisting of IT-related events that could affect an institution's **ability to achieve its mission** and key objectives.
- **IT risk management** refers to the process of **identifying, assessing, prioritizing, and addressing the major IT risks** associated with an institution's key objectives.

<https://er.educause.edu/articles/2015/2/understanding-it-grc-in-higher-education-it-risk>

# Compliance

## *IT Risk Assessment*

- IT Risk Assessment is a portion of university's Enterprise Risk Management program
  - » Follow university risk management processes
- High level divisional review of mission and key objectives, identifying IT risks that could affect ability to achieve those objectives
  - » Collaboration between IT, ERM program and business function owners
  - » Utilize EDUCAUSE IT Risk Register with risk categories such as compliance, financial, IT lifecycle, operational, reputational and strategic risks

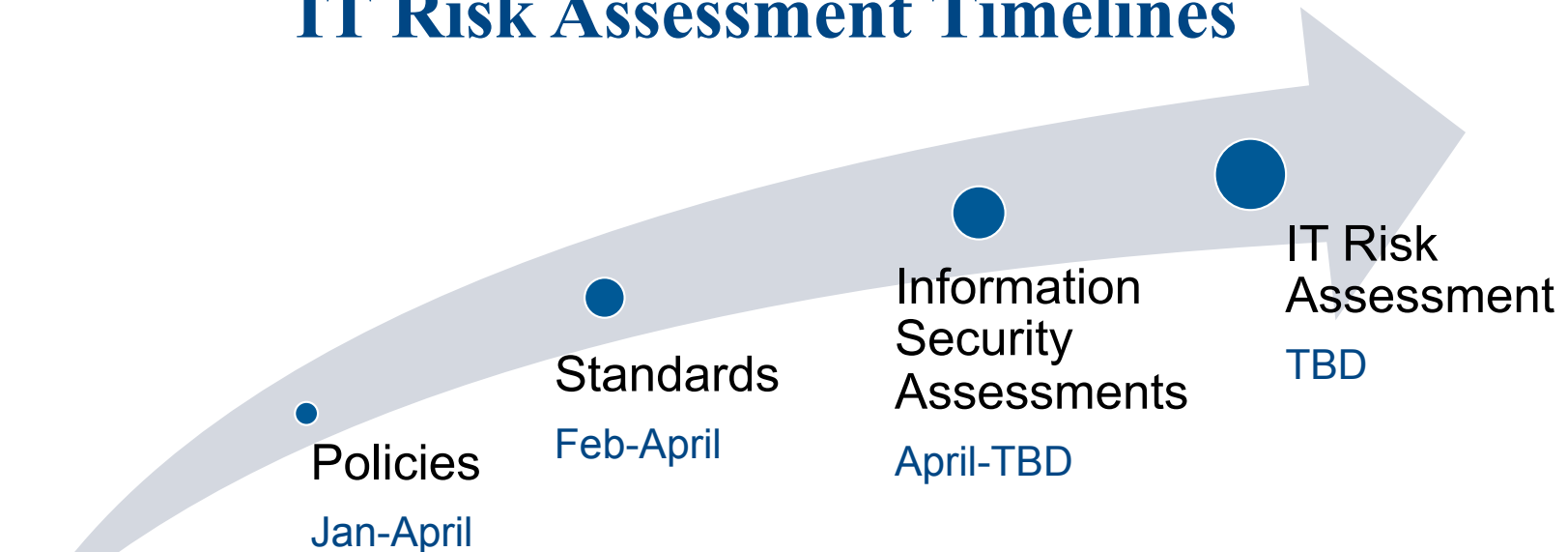


# Compliance

## *IT Risk Assessment*

- Higher levels risks require action:
  - » Reduce to acceptable level (mitigation)
  - » Transfer the risk
  - » Assume (accept) the risk
- Annual IT Risk Assessment (including Information Security Risk Assessment) due to UNC-GA annually

## Information Security and IT Risk Assessment Timelines





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# *TECHNOLOGY CONSOLIDATION*

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## Why Consolidate?

- Protect the University, improve security and reduce risk
- Ensure consistent compliance
- Limit redundant IT management, risk assessment and support efforts
- Leverage resources to meet demands for support and coordinate technology deployment
- Provide efficient, professional technology management

## Next Steps

- Complete technology assets inventory
- Meet with units to review assets and discuss needs and opportunities
- Identify and implement consolidation projects
  - » Complete prior to risk assessments and next audit



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*Questions?*

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