Training for DoD 8570.1-M

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Abstract: DoD 8570.1-M Information Assurance Workforce Improvement Program dated November 19, 2005 requires any DoD civilian, military or contractor performing any one of over 130 specific job functions to study for and pass one of thirteen IA certifications. The current edition of the directive is focused on Information Assurance (IA) but will have additional chapters added to it including System Architecture and Engineering (next chapter to be released), Certification and Accreditation, Computer Network Defense and Vulnerability Assessment.

As a Defense Agency and having developed an organizational wide training, administration and tracking program to address the requirements of DoD 8570.1-M, DIA's developed program has become a model for other Defense Intelligence Agencies on how to organize, develop, present, administer and implement the multiple level training and certification development required.

This presentation will review a short history of DIA's year long involvement with DoD 8570.1-M, the formation of the DIA DoD 8570.1-M Intelligence Working Group including NSA, NRO, NGA, DIA and MDA, how DIA has structured our plan and approach, lessons learned and suggestions on how other agencies could address this requirement. With the expected acceptance of DoD 8570.1-M requirements by the Department of Homeland Security and with this acceptance the addition of "all" Federal Agencies, the DIA plan can provide insight, information and lessons learned resource for all interested parties trying to address this requirement with limited resources.

Along with the presentation itself, DIA will provide copies of its research, school information, certification provider training, commercial training, methods of study, selection of DIA specific certifications, how to identify staff needing certifications, and how to reduce the organizational risk by reducing and professionalizing the IA workforce along with a copy of the DIA DoD 8570.1-M Implementation Plan.