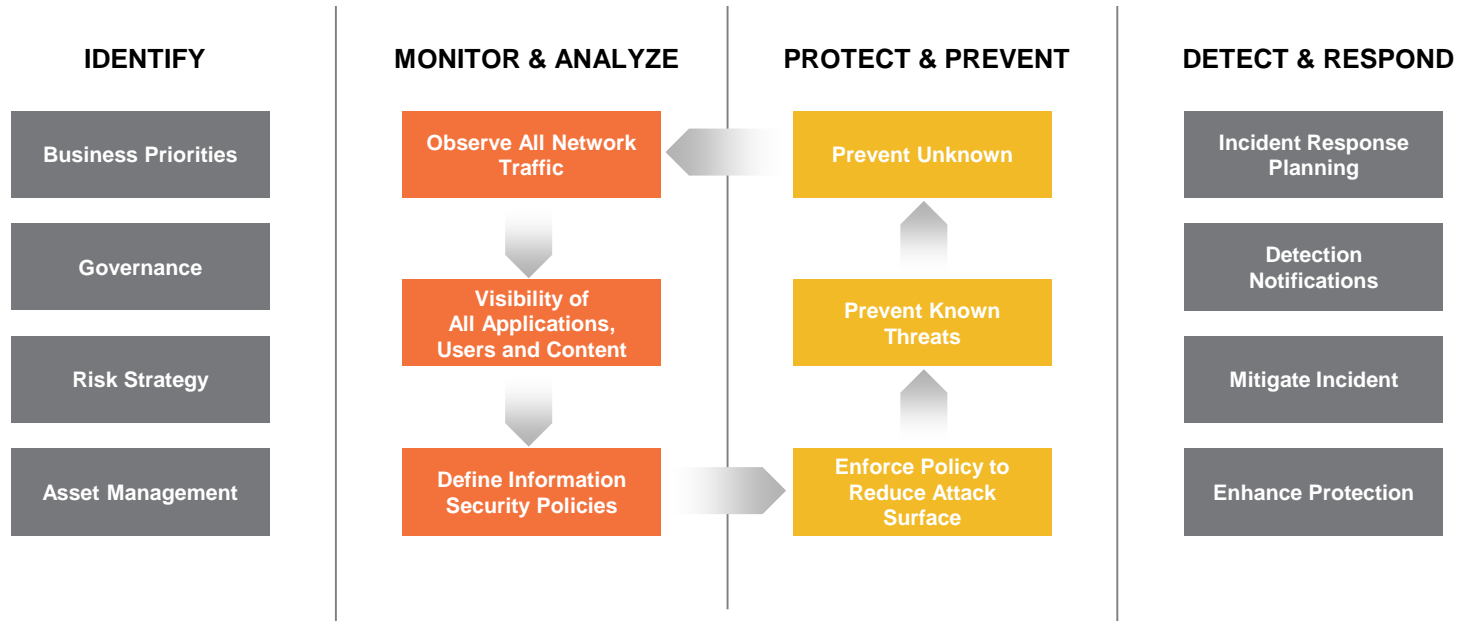


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# Security Framework: Identify

## DETERMINE BUSINESS PRIORITIES & REQUIREMENTS

Identify priorities for organization mission, objectives and activities

Identify critical functions, applications and dependencies

Establish resilience requirements and determine organizational cyber risk tolerance

## ESTABLISH GOVERNANCE STRUCTURES

Establish security roles/responsibilities for board, management and workforce

Identify legal/regulatory cybersecurity requirements

Align corporate governance and risk management processes to address cybersecurity risk

## DEVELOP RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

Integrate cybersecurity into enterprise risk management process

Identify key technical risks and their business impacts

Assess productivity versus risk implications of security controls for information assets

## IMPLEMENT HARDWARE/SOFTWARE ASSET MANAGEMENT

Inventory and classify all enterprise hardware and software

Catalog external information systems

Map organizational data flows

# Security Framework: Monitor & Analyze

## OBSERVE ALL NETWORK TRAFFIC

Monitor and log all network traffic of all internal segmentations

Monitor and log all network traffic of on- and off-premise users

Monitor and log all network traffic accessing corporate cloud and SaaS resources

## ESTABLISH VISIBILITY OF ALL APPLICATIONS, USERS AND CONTENT TRAVERSING NETWORK

Map and log all network traffic to specific user identities

Map and log all network traffic to specific application usage

Decrypt all inbound and outbound data flows to facilitate full visibility of network traffic

Manage identities and credentials for authorized devices and users

## DEFINE AND/OR REFINE ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATION SECURITY AND TECHNOLOGY ACCEPTABLE USE POLICIES

Use observed data to build list of approved business-enabling applications with input from management and technical staff

Implement employee cybersecurity awareness training

# Security Framework: Protect & Prevent

## DEVELOP & ENFORCE TECHNICAL POLICIES TO REDUCE ATTACK SURFACE

Construct whitelist to enable critical business applications; default deny all other applications

Inspect and judge unknown traffic against determined policies

Enforce role-based access to applications and data and ensure compromised credentials cannot be used to access applications and data

## PREVENT KNOWN THREATS

Establish logical security perimeter not bound to physical or logical location of devices and data

Block known threats with existing signatures and intelligence

Integrate cloud access security with threat detection

Match newly created signatures to block previously unknown malicious payloads

Automate defensive reprogramming of all security technologies to incorporate newly created protection mechanisms

## PREVENT UNKNOWN THREATS

Protect endpoints by preventing exploit and malware techniques

Identify and block malicious lateral movement between components of network, endpoint and cloud

Incorporate external threat intelligence sources to security monitoring system

Automate analysis of external threat intelligence

# Security Framework: Detect & Respond

## ESTABLISH, TEST AND EXECUTE INCIDENT RESPONSE PLAN

Establish and conduct regular tests of incident response and recovery plans with executive team and technical staff

Execute response and recovery plans when deemed necessary

Incorporate cross-functional input and lessons learned into incident response plan

## INVESTIGATE NOTIFICATIONS FROM DETECTION ENGINES

Incorporate contextual information around security alerts to determine priority level

Correlate external data around alerts to provide additional analysis

Elevate security incidents based on established policy

## LEVERAGE TECHNOLOGY TO AUTOMATE DETECTION

Implement log collection capabilities to consume a variety of feeds from the network, endpoint and application layers

Aggregate internal logs and external threat intelligence feeds to identify known, signature-based attacks

Identify and investigate anomalous, non-standard behavior in network, endpoint and cloud environments for evidence of malicious activity

## CONTAIN AND MITIGATE INCIDENT

Take corrective action to halt ongoing incident

Mitigate vulnerability or point of compromise and undertake necessary remediation

Disseminate mitigation and threat information to external parties according to established policy

## INCORPORATE MITIGATIONS INTO PROTECTION MECHANISMS

Automate creation of protection mechanism for contained threat

Automate dissemination of protection mechanism to relevant defensive technologies

Automate necessary reprogramming of defensive technologies to reflect new mitigation

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