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Richard Hale is the Deputy CIO for Cyber Security, Department of Defense. In this position he acts as the department's Chief Information Security Officer. Mr. Hale is responsible for ensuring the department has a well defined and well executed cyber security program, and is responsible for coordinating cyber security standards, policies and procedures with other federal agencies, coalition partners and industry.

He previously served as the Chief Information Assurance Executive at the Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA). In this position he oversaw all information assurance activities at DISA. These included development of DoD-wide cyber security standards, development and operation of the department's shared cyber defenses, development of DoD's overall layered defense approach and the hardening and defense of the DISA managed part of the DoD's information infrastructure.

From 1981 to 1998, Mr. Hale worked at the Naval Research Laboratory where he participated in the design, analysis, and construction of a variety of Navy and Department of Defense information and communication systems, and where he led a group which did enduring work in the development of high assurance systems, secure internet protocols, command and control cyber security, and core security standards.

Mr. Hale holds Bachelor's degrees in Applied Mathematics and Electrical Engineering and a Master's degree in Electrical Engineering, all from the University of Virginia.