Virtual Chief Information Security Officer Services

The Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) is a vital role within most organizations. Tasked with establishing and maintaining the organizational vision, strategy, and program to ensure information technology assets are adequately protected, this individual is often your primary defense against data breaches and malware infections. With this heightened responsibility often comes high salaries and expectations.

Over the past decade, many organizations have made the choice to utilize a Virtual CISO (vCISO) to either fill this role or compliment their current CISO. A Virtual CISO is an outsourced security practitioner or firm that offers their security professionals to fill your CISO role, typically utilizing more than one individual and operating on a remote, part-time basis. Compass IT Compliance offers this solution and currently fills a Virtual CISO role for many clients across the United States. We have witnessed a sharp rise in Virtual CISOs over the past decade due to the numerous benefits the solution offers. Those benefits may include:

Lower Costs

Virtual CISOs on average will cost 30% to 40% of the salary of a traditional full-time CISO and require none of the full-time staff benefits.

More Collective Experience

Our Virtual CISO engagements are fulfilled by a team of professionals with decades of experience and many certifications, providing more collective knowledge than one CISO.

No Conflict of Interest

Our Virtual CISO professionals will recommend the appropriate security measures without bias, even if it means disagreeing with executives and management at the client company. We are well-versed in weighing a client's cybersecurity risks against their business interests.

Faster Onboarding

Significant time and money are required to acquire a full-time CISO (applications, interviews, salary negotiations, etc). Our Virtual CISOs are always on standby, ready to start today! The Virtual CISO can also be utilized to temporarily take over responsibilities while searching for a new full-time CISO and can assist in mentoring the new hire as well.

Staffing and Budget Flexibility

You can adjust your Virtual CISO hours as you see fit in accordance with your budget and schedule. The versatility this service provides allows you to use your Virtual CISO to fulfill a wide variety of cybersecurity, compliance, privacy, and risk management functions as needed.

Resources Already Created

We hold a library of documents and tools that have been tested in the real world, ready to immediately implement within your organization. These tools would require time and effort for a new CISO to create or purchase.

Filling Out Security Questionnaires

Our Virtual CISO can take over the responsibility of responding to those lengthy Security Questionnaires, saving your IT security team valuable time and effort.

Through our Virtual CISO services, organizations can now customize their CISO role to have significantly lower costs, greater control over spending, access to a team of professionals with various backgrounds, faster onboarding, complimentary efforts to existing staff, no conflicts of interest or bias, and more eyes watching over the security of your organization. Contact us today to learn more about our Virtual CISO solutions, pricing, and if it's the right fit for your organization!

About Compass IT Compliance

Founded in 2010, Compass IT Compliance is a nationwide leader in providing IT security, audit, and compliance services to organizations of all sizes in all industries. Our goal is to partner with your organization to help you mitigate your overall information security risk while providing you with the best customer service possible. Unlike some of our big-name competitors, our Security Specialists and Account Managers carry smaller workloads so that they may dedicate a more thorough and personal approach to each engagement. We work with you and your team to provide detailed, actionable results that mitigate your overall information security risk. Learn more at Compassitc.com.