# Security and Personnel

Chapter 11

### Positioning & Staffing Security Function

- Location of IS function within organization function
  - IT function as a peer or other IT functions (help desk)
  - Physical security
  - Administrative services function peer to HR
  - Insurance and risk management function
  - Legal department
- Balance between access and security

### Staffing IS Function

#### Demand

- More openings than qualified candidates
- Needs of organization for better hiring practices
  - Knowledge of skills and qualification needed
  - Knowledge of budgetary needs of IS function and associated positions
  - Appropriate level of influence and prestige necessary to perform function

### What Security Personnel Should Know

- How an organization operates at all levels.
- That IS security is usually a mgmt problem & seldom exclusively technical problem
- How to work with people
- The role of policy in guiding security functions
- Most IT technologies (not as expert but as generalist)
- Terminology of IT and IS
- How to protect an org's assets from security attacks
- How business solutions can be applied to solve problems
- Strong communications and writing skills

### Entry in the IS Professional

IT technical people Networking experts Programmers Database administrators System Administrators Non technical Ex-law enforcement Military personnel

### Classification of positions

#### Definers

- Provide policies, guidelines and standards
- Do consulting and risk assessment
- Develop the product and technical architectures
- Senior people with broad knowledge (not depth)
- Builders
  - Techies
  - Create and install security solutions
- Administrators
  - Operate and administer the security tools
  - Monitor
  - Day-to-day work

# Chief Information Security Officer

- Manages overall info security program
- Drafts or approves info security policies
- Works with CIO with strategic plans
- Develops tactical plans
- Works with security mgmt on operational plans
- Budgeting
- Sets priorities for purchase & implementation on security projects
- Security personnel hiring and firing
- Spokesperson for the info security team

### Security Manager

- Develop and manage info security programs & control systems
- Monitor performance of info security & control system for alignment w/policy
- Prepare & communicate risk assessment
- Represent management in change management process
- Incident response
- Disaster recovery
- Supervision

# IT Security Compliance Manager

- Develop & manage IT security compliance pgm
- Develop security standards in line with industry standards
- Identify IT related business risk
- Manage and conduct IT security compliance reviews
- Conduct investigation

### Security Technician

### Technically qualified

- Able to configure IDS, firewalls etc
- Able to implement security measures
- Entry level
- Generally must have experience
- Tend to be specialized in one technical area

Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP)

- Must possess 3 full-time security professional work
- Considered most prestigious
- Covers 10 domains
  - Access control
  - Application security
  - Business continuity and disaster recovery planning
  - Cryptography
  - Information security and risk management
  - Legal, regulations, compliance and investigations
  - Operations security
  - Physical security
  - Security architecture and design
  - Telecommunications and network security

- Systems Security Certified Practitioner
  - Recognizes mastery of an international standard and body of knowledge
  - Oriented toward the security administrator
  - Focuses on practices, roles and responsibilities
  - 7 domains
    - Access controls
    - Cryptography
    - Malicious code and activity
    - Monitoring and analysis
    - Networks and communications
    - Risks, response and recovery
    - Security operations and administration

### Certificates

### Associate of (ISC)<sup>2</sup>

- Geared toward those wanting to take CISSP or SSCP
- Lack requisite experience
- Test required
- Certification and Accreditation Professional (CAP)
  - Minimum of 2 years experience in 1+ of areas of common body of knowledge domains
  - Pass the CAP exam
  - Agree to Code of Ethics
  - Provide background and criminal history

- Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA)
  - Pass exam
  - Areas
    - IS auditing process
    - IT governance
    - Systems and Infrastructure lifecycle
    - IT service delivery and support
    - Protection of information assets
    - Business and disaster recovery

- Certified Information Systems Manager (CISM)
  - Information Security governance
  - Information risk management
  - Information security program development
  - Information security program management
  - Incident management and response

- Global Information Assurance Certification (GIAC)
- Security Certified Professional (SCP)
- Security+
- Certified Information Forensic Investigator
- Various company certifications

### Advice for IS Professionals

- Business before technology
- When evaluating a problem
  - Look at source of problem first
  - Determine factors impacting problem
  - Check organizational policy for direction
  - Use technology to deploy necessary controls
- Your job is to protect the orgs information assets
- Be heard and not seen
- Know more than you say and be more skillful than you let on
- Speak to users not at them
- Your education is never complete

### **Personnel Precautions**

- Background investigations
  - Conducted for all employees prior to hiring
  - Scope varies with position
  - Extremely sensitive positions conduct periodically
  - Require written permission as terms of employment

### **Personnel Precautions**

- Monitoring of employee activity
  - Internet usage
  - Surveillance cameras in sensitive areas
  - Recording telephone conversations
  - Mandatory vacations
  - Exit procedures for employees leaving company