

8 essential steps for information security training

While fortifying an information security strategy, you need to be just as focused on what's happening inside your environment as what's coming in from the outside.

To ensure your employees are an asset rather than a threat to cybersecurity, make the following strategies part of your infosec plan.



Make annual security training mandatory for all employees, raising awareness about threats as they evolve and equipping users to respond.



Provide ongoing education through multiple channels about information security and continually reinforce its importance.



Partner with your communications team to develop timely, compelling, and effective messaging.



Don't just inform, test real-life examples of cybersecurity threats to put employee knowledge into practice.



Develop a "security champions" program, enlisting passionate employees to model best practices, support campaigns, and raise awareness.



Observe Cybersecurity Awareness Month in October, holding contests and events to incentivize engagement with infosec campaigns.



Bring in guest experts on cybersecurity to engage employees in town halls or livestreams with unique infosec stories.



Partner with human resources to incorporate best practices into policies and foster an organization-wide commitment to security.

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