United States Department of Agriculture

Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Coordination (OHSEC)
Physical Security Division

Critical Risk Information System (CRIS)
Overview

- Critical Risk Information System (CRIS) is a web-based self assessment tool that helps site personnel complete a site summary risk assessment to identify potential risk areas.

- Designed to facilitate the collection of field data through the USDA Risk Based Methodology and ease-of-use.

- Allows site personnel to perform a valuable risk assessment with little training for non-Mission Critical Facilities (MCFs).

- Tool to support conducting assessments for approximately 9,800 USDA Facilities (with the exception of the MCFs).

- More cost and time effective than in-person assessments.

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Questions are template-based to accommodate the unique USDA work environments

ISC Compliant with Facility Security Level (FSL) determination criteria
- Level II will address 98% of USDA’s facilities

Data Security:
- Information is collected in a centralized, secure database
- USDA eAuthentication Level II leveraged for authentication and authorization
- Authority to Operate (ATO) received

CRIS is capable of operating remotely and in a mobile environment (A mobile version is planned for development)
**System Administrator** will provide oversight and management of the assessment process. Reviews all the security reports generated from assessments.

**Agency POC** will be responsible for one or more assessments. Personally conducts assessments or assigns the Assessment Responder to conduct assessments.

**Assessment Responder** will conduct the site assessment assigned by the Agency POC.

**Security Analyst** will review the results of the site assessments, perform risk analysis to develop security reports. Forwards final security reports to OHSEC and the Agency POC.
If you are interested in learning more about CRIS or would like participate in the assessment, please contact the Physical Security Division at:

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