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NEW JRCERT SITE VISITOR E-NEWSLETTER

Greetings from Chicago and welcome to the inaugural issue of the JRCERT Peer2Peer site visitor e-Newsletter. As many of you know, I was recently promoted to Associate Director and part of this role is to oversee the site visitor process. One of my goals is to provide easily accessible information and improve the avenues of communication with site visitors. We have created an e-Newsletter to provide the consolidation of this information into a single publication, which will be easily accessed and referenced on our Web site under Site Visitor Resources.

Peer2Peer will be published twice a year – spring and fall – following the meetings of the Board of Directors here in Chicago. We'll try to keep the content concise and to the point by using URLs linked to our Web site that will take you to more detailed information on specific topics. We sincerely hope this publication will serve to enhance communications with you. Lastly, thank you for being one of our most valuable assets.

 - Traci

Traci B. Lang, M.S.R.S., R.T.(R)(T)
Associate Director

NEW PROCESSES

The JRCERT is excited to announce several changes to the accreditation process and the Accreditation Management System (AMS):

- The professional staff member that reviews the self-study report will now follow the program throughout the accreditation process. This individual will schedule and perform the pre-site visit conference call with team members. In addition, the team will receive an email the afternoon of Day 1 of the site visit to provide an additional avenue of communication with the office should there be any questions related to the onsite review and compliance with the Standards. The site visit team should make note of any questions/concerns that need to be discussed and call the office (312-704-5300) on the morning of Day 2 and speak to the respective staff member. This conversation should provide the necessary feedback for the team to make any final accreditation decisions. It is the hope of the JRCERT that this change will provide more continuity in the accreditation process. We hope that you find this internal change a positive one!

(Note: Should there be any travel concerns or immediate attention is needed, please call Traci or Jacqueline via cell.)

- Next, we would like to announce an upgrade to the Portal/AMS. Previously, the

program was to submit all additional information from the Final Professional Staff Review Letter from the self-study report directly to the site visit team via email. Any outstanding items will now be submitted back to the office via the Portal/AMS and reviewed by professional staff. A final letter will then be sent to the program and site visit team notating any outstanding documentation (e.g., affiliation agreements) and/or concerns to be reviewed onsite.

SITE VISITOR REAPPOINTMENT/INFORMATION:

The JRCERT is no longer sending out reappointment letters on an annual basis. Instead, the site visitor will retain this status consistent with Policy 90.300.

JRCERT policy requires the site visitor to attend a workshop face to face or online every three (3) years. The due date for the next site visitor workshop is now displayed on the Site Visitor Information page in the AMS. The site visitor has a grace period of one (1) year post site visitor workshop due date before the individual will be removed from the site visitor database. Please note that you will not be assigned to a site visit during the one (1) year grace period. Note this important date!

In addition, on or after January 1st, site visitors will be required to annually complete the Conflict of Interest/Confidentiality Agreement/JRCERT Commitment via the AMS. This is to be performed electronically on the Site Visitor Information page. Performing this function on an annual basis will confirm the site visitor is willing to adhere to the individual policies set forth by the JRCERT. Please use this opportunity to check that all personal information is accurate in the AMS.

Site visitors may change the password in the AMS. Please do so for confidentiality reasons. Should there be any issues, please notify Paul Luhn, Information Technology Administrator, at pluhn@jrcert.org.

Please let us know how we are doing! Please email Sitevisitor@jrcert.org with any questions, comments, or ideas for the Peer2Peer newsletter or improvements to the site visitor process. Thank you for your support of programmatic accreditation!

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REAL ID COMPLIANCE

"Starting October 1, 2020, every air traveler will need to present a REAL ID compliant license/ ID, or another acceptable form of identification."

In 2005, the United States Congress passed the Real ID Act. This act "establishes minimum security standards for license issuance and production and prohibits Federal agencies from accepting for certain purposes driver's licenses and identification cards from states not meeting the Act's minimum standards[1]." This includes identification for boarding federally regulated commercial aircraft.

Starting October 1, 2020, every air traveler will need to present a REAL ID compliant license/ID, or another acceptable form of identification. The license/ID must be REAL ID compliant unless the traveler is using an alternative acceptable document such as a passport.[2]

As of the writing of this article, 40 states, territories, and the District of Columbia have been determined by the Department of Homeland Security as compliant with all REAL ID requirements. The other 16 jurisdictions are noncompliant, but have been granted temporary extensions to come into compliance.

Site visitors are strongly encouraged to review the Department of Homeland Security webpage regarding the REAL ID and to determine their state's current level of compliance.

1: https://www.dhs.gov/real-id

2: https://www.dhs.gov/real-id-public-faqs