



5 Security Building Blocks with SOAR Architect & Author Joey Muniz

Real-World Deployment Advice from UDC and NFF

Welcome!



AGENDA

- **Speaker Introductions and NFF Overview**
- **Security Building Blocks and SOAR**
- **Security Transformation: University of the District of Columbia**
- **Cybersecurity Solutions**
- **Questions and Answers – Submit via Chat**

SPEAKERS

- **Chris Peabody – Chief Strategy Officer, Networking For Future**
- **Joey Muniz – Senior Cybersecurity Architect , Cisco Systems**
- **Mike Rogers – Executive Director, Information Services and Management, University of the District of Columbia**
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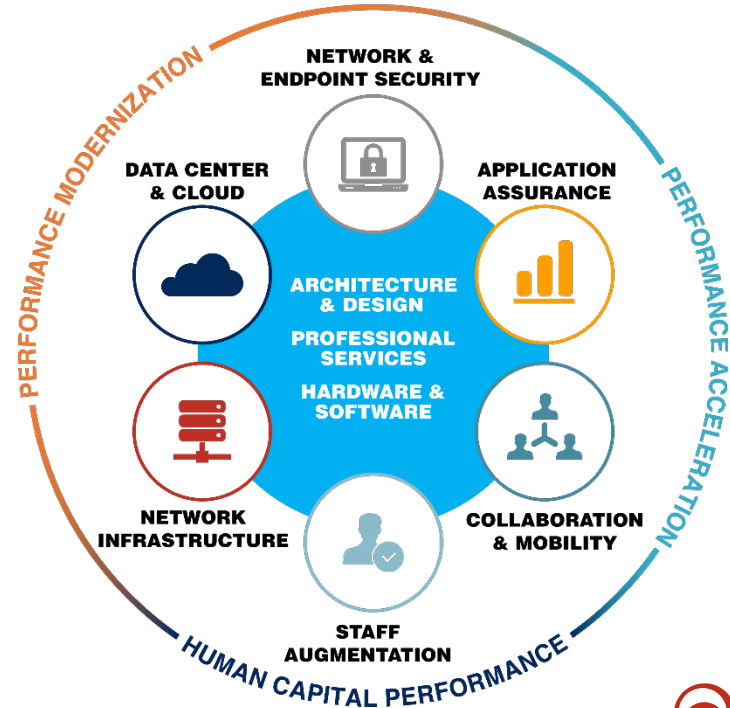
OVERVIEW

Networking For Future, Inc. (NFF)

- Founded in 1996
- Headquartered in Washington, DC
- 130+ Employees
- ISO 9001:2015 Certified
- 77% of workforce hold industry certifications

Offering a performance-focused approach to delivering transformational IT business solutions.

IT Business Solutions



OVERVIEW

Strategic Partners

- Cisco Gold Integrator Partner
- NetApp Gold Partner
- VMware Enterprise Partner
- Splunk Partner
- Microsoft Partner
- Gigamon Partner
- Riverbed Premier Partner
- Aternity Partner
- IET Corporation Partner
- F5 Networks Partner
- Citrix Silver Solution Advisor
- CoreSite Partner
- TRAXyL Partner

Strategic Contract Vehicles

- GSA Schedule 47QTCA21D0047
- District of Columbia Supply Schedule
 - MOBIS and ITES
- Maryland Education Enterprise Consortium (MEEC)
- Maryland Consulting and Technical Services (CATS+)
- Fairfax County Public Schools
- Maryland Department of Information Technology (DoIT) Hardware Master Contract
- Cisco Virginia Association of State College and University Purchasing Professionals (VASCUPP)
- Federal Reserve Board 202000834



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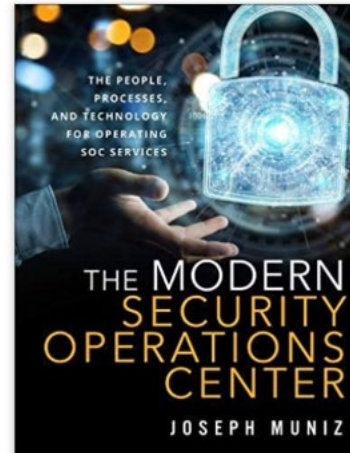
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Security Building Blocks and SOAR

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Building Blocks for SOAR

Security Orchestration, Automation and Response



SOC Services

- **Risk Management** – Addressing all forms of organizational risk
- **Compliance** – Addressing compliance requirements
- **Vulnerability Management** – Addressing technical vulnerabilities
- **Analysis** – Analyzing artifacts and event data
- **Incident Response** – Responding to cyber attacks
- **Digital Forensics** – Post event forensics and preparation for legal action
- **Situational and Security Awareness** – Training organization about security programs
- **Research and Development** – Understanding threat landscape and technologies

Grade

ISACA COBIT Maturity Levels

0 – No Program

1 – Ad Hoc

**2 – Repeatable
but intuitive**

**3 - Defined
Process**

**4. – Managed
and Measurable**

No Capabilities or Processes

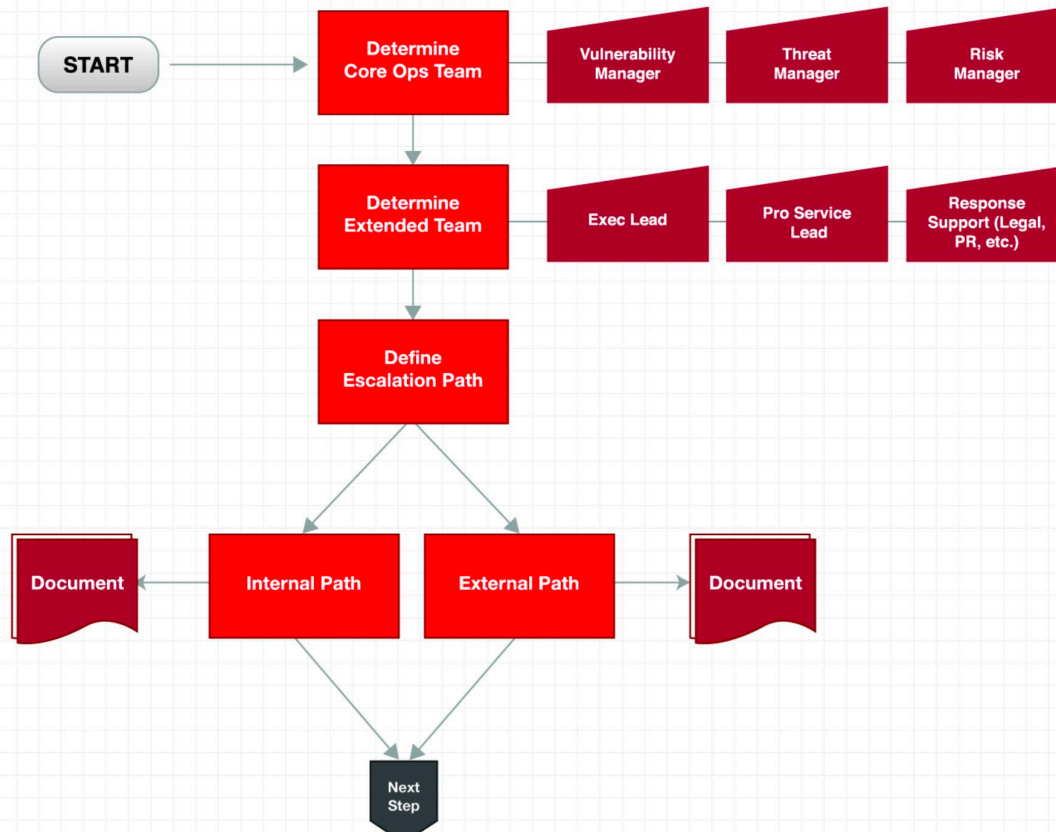
Recognized problems. Ad hoc Approach

Some process but no formal training or procedures. Self ran

Documented process but up to individual to follow

Monitor and manage compliance. Action can be taken to improve

Playbooks



<https://www.incidentresponse.com/playbooks>

SIEM

Security Information and Event Management – Centralized log collection from various tools to mine data and respond to events

SOAR

Security Orchestration, Automation and Response – Collects data from a range of sources and automates response when possible

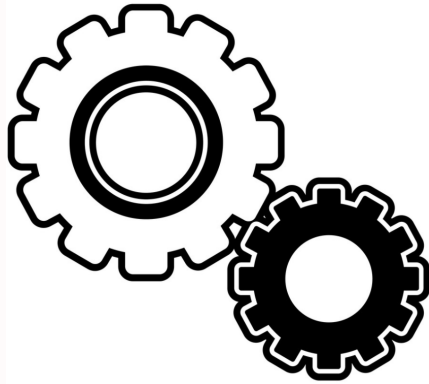
XDR

Endpoint Detection and Response (EDR)– Uses local detection and cloud capabilities to detect threats on endpoints

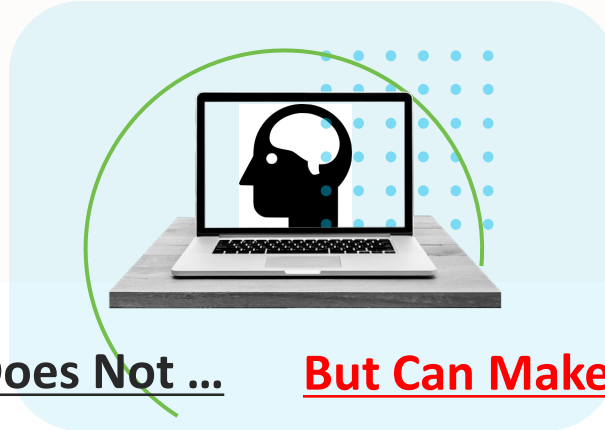
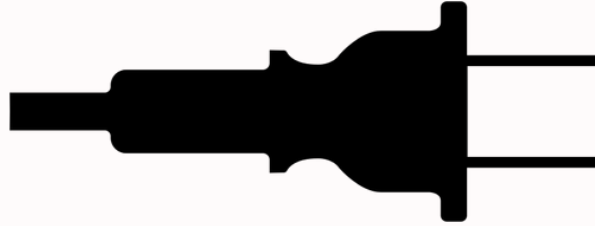
(XDR) – X represents multiple data sources to expand EDR. XDR is the future of EDR allowing for network, endpoint and cloud data.

Does SOAR or XDR Require a SIEM?

SOAR Vendors



Need a SIEM to get Data

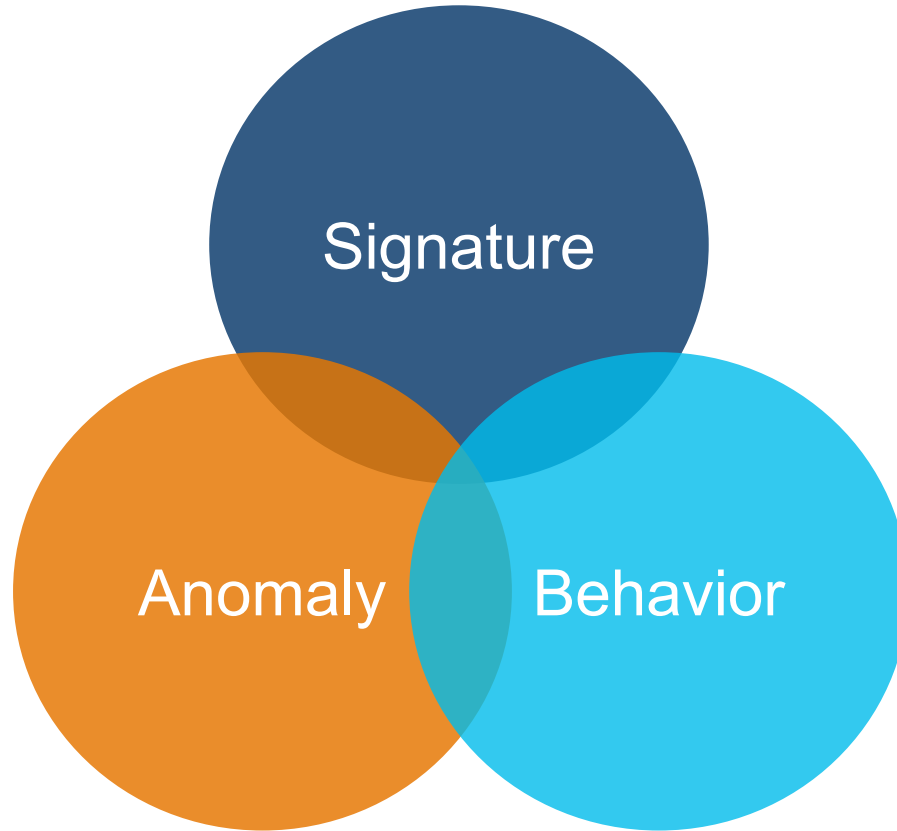


SecureX Does Not ...

But Can Make Your SIEM Better

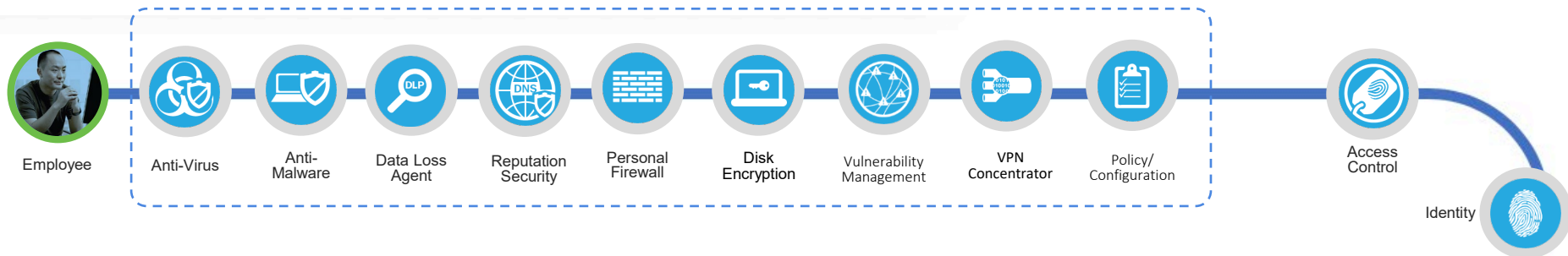


Security Capabilities

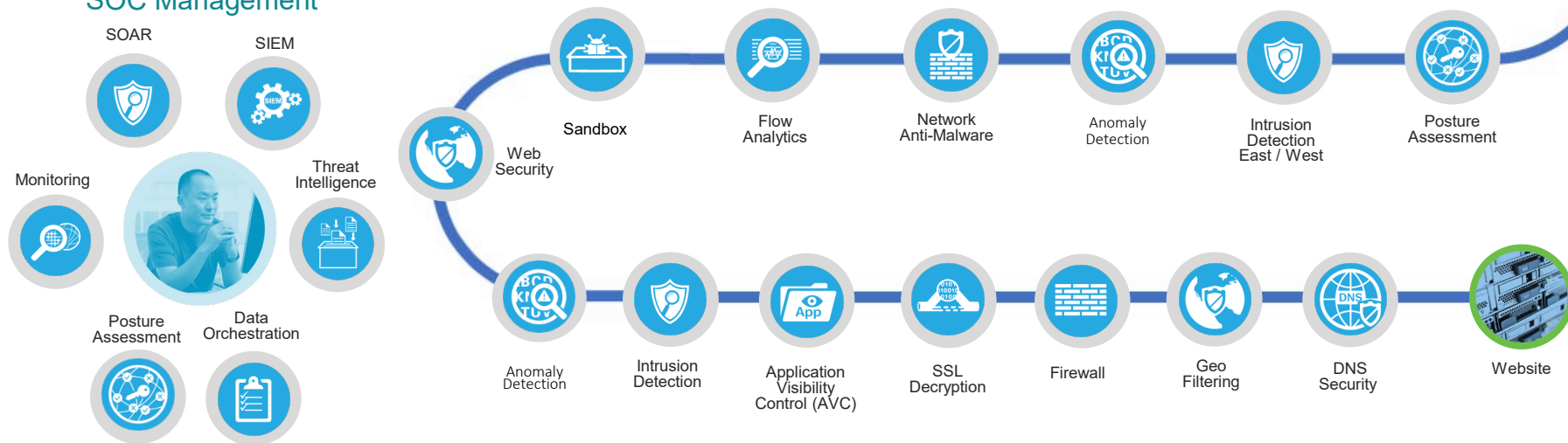


Average Security Tools for Defense in Depth

ENDPOINT

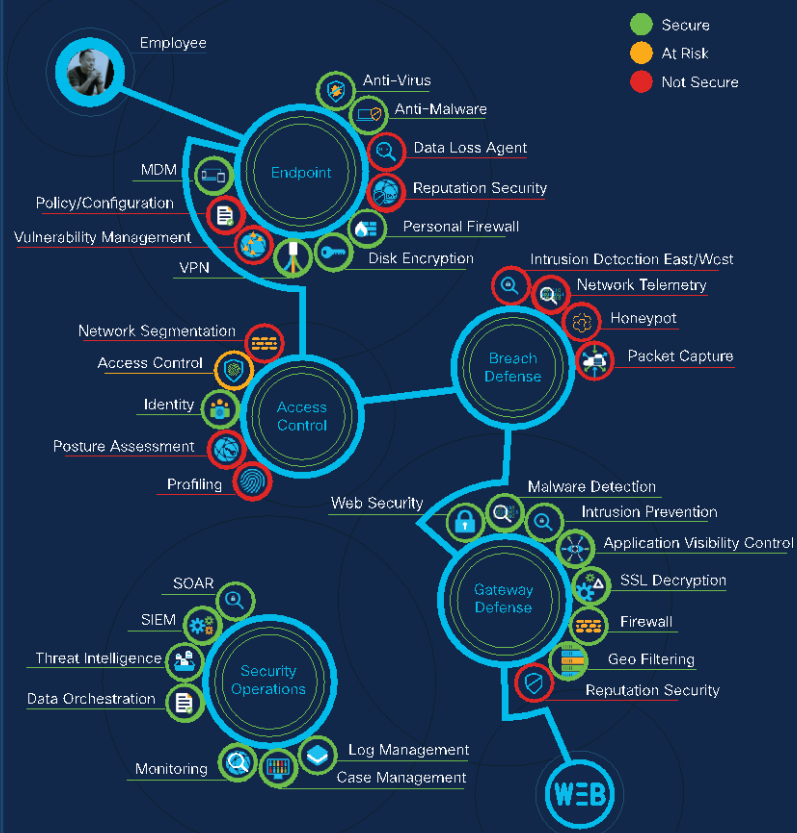


SOC Management



Security BLUEPRINT

Endpoint and Branch Network

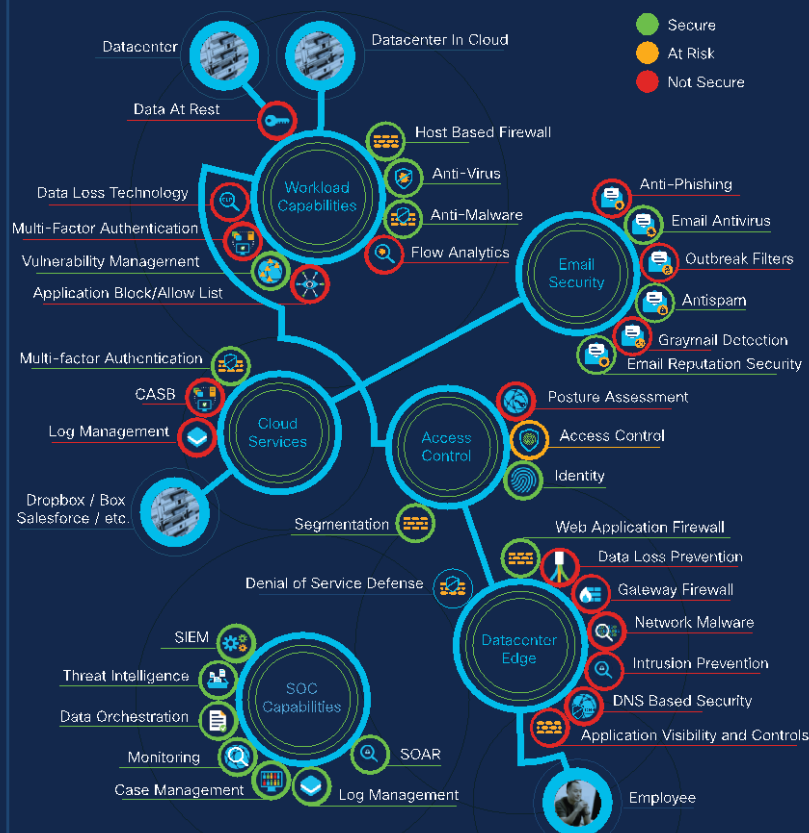


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Security BLUEPRINT

Datacenter and Cloud



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Can't Answer: **What Happened????**



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Vulnerabilities



Malicious Sources



Key For SOAR - DevOps

Making things work with things

[Developer.cisco.com](https://developer.cisco.com)



Jenkins



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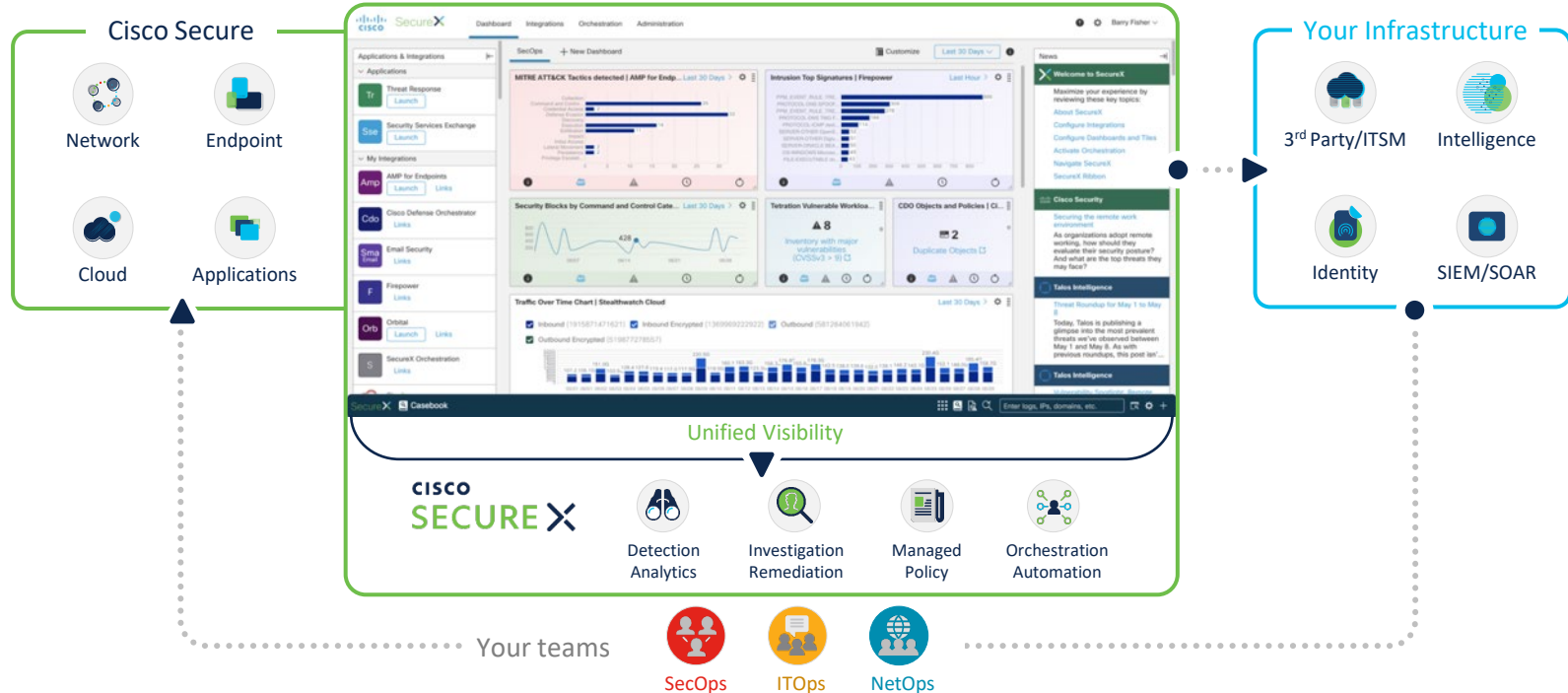
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Industry: *Make This Easier!*

Introducing SecureX

A cloud-native, built-in platform experience within our portfolio



Intro to SecureX Orchestration

Process **automation**
made simple with a
no/low-code drag-drop
interface



Investigate

Reduce research and response times with workflows and playbooks that execute at machine speed



Automate

Eliminate repetitive tasks and reduce MTTR to increase productivity and focus on mission-critical projects



Integrate

Unique turnkey approach to quickly integrate with other systems and solutions to expand your toolbox

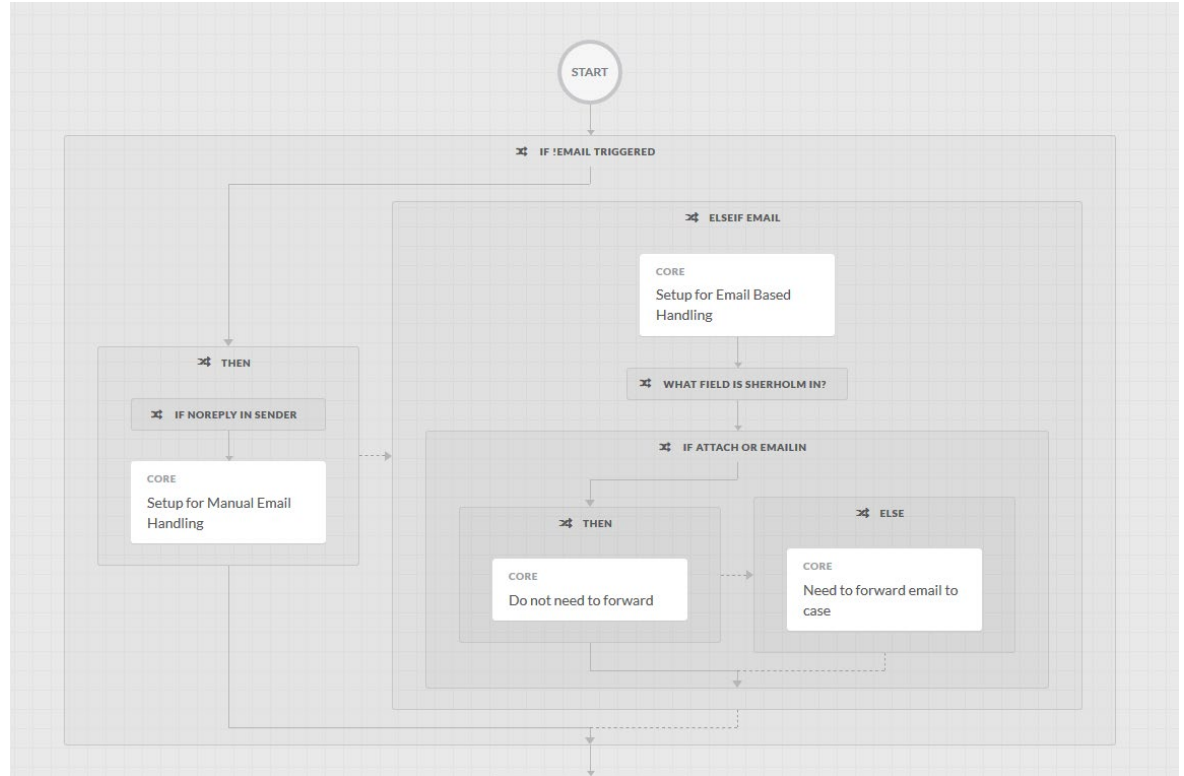


Scale

Automation that scales infinitely and never takes a day off, delivering the same SLA around the clock

Workflows

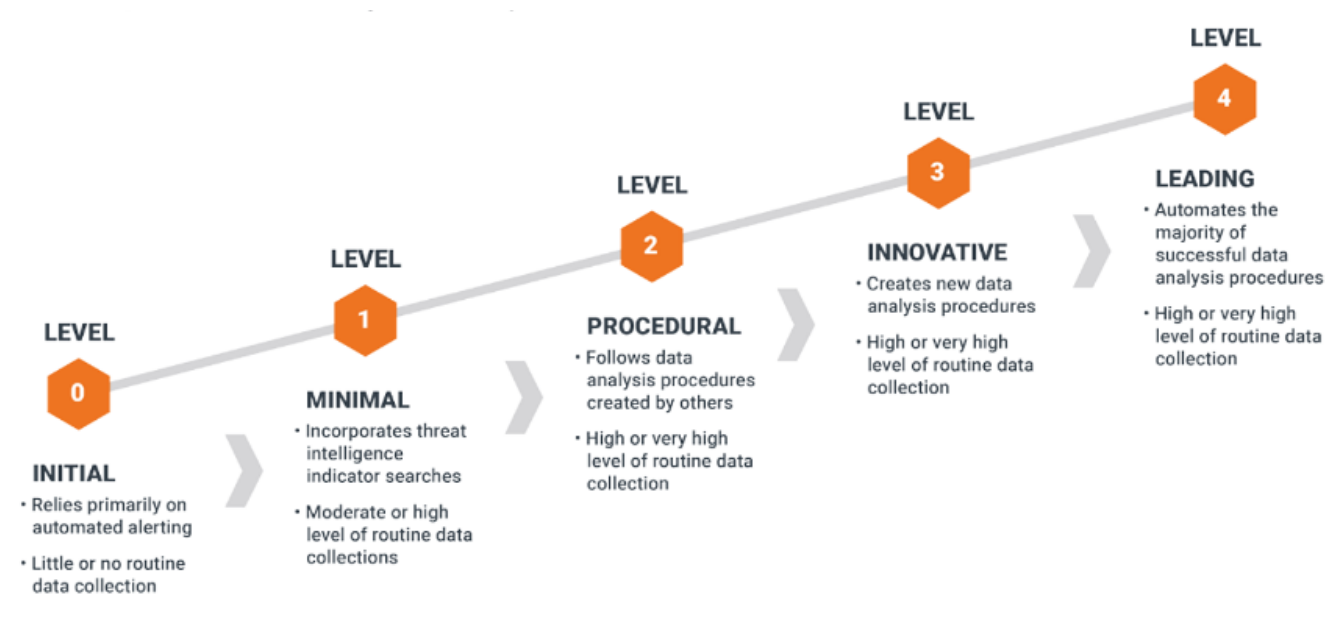
- A simple or complex series of activities that accomplish a task or series of tasks
- Built using the drag and drop workflow editor



Threat Hunting

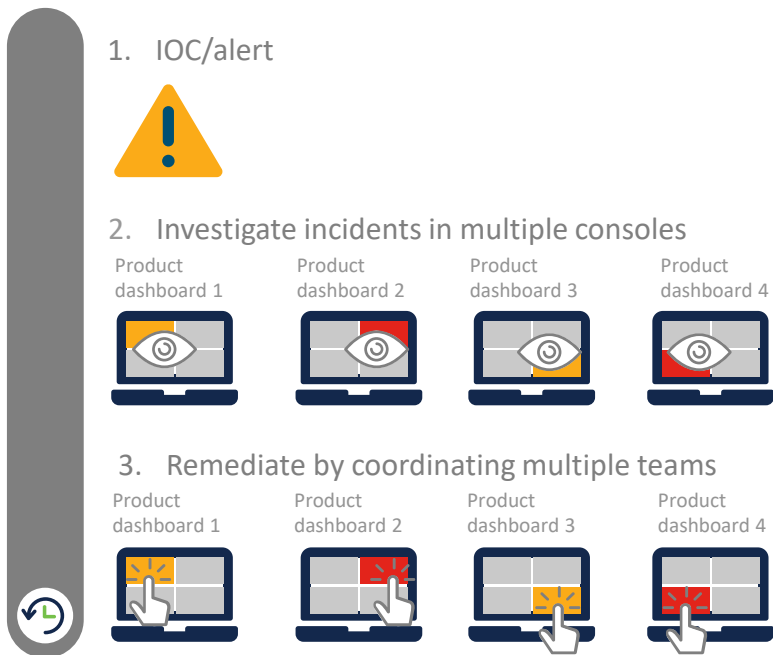
Proactive – Hunting for a Hypotheses

Reactive – Responding security events

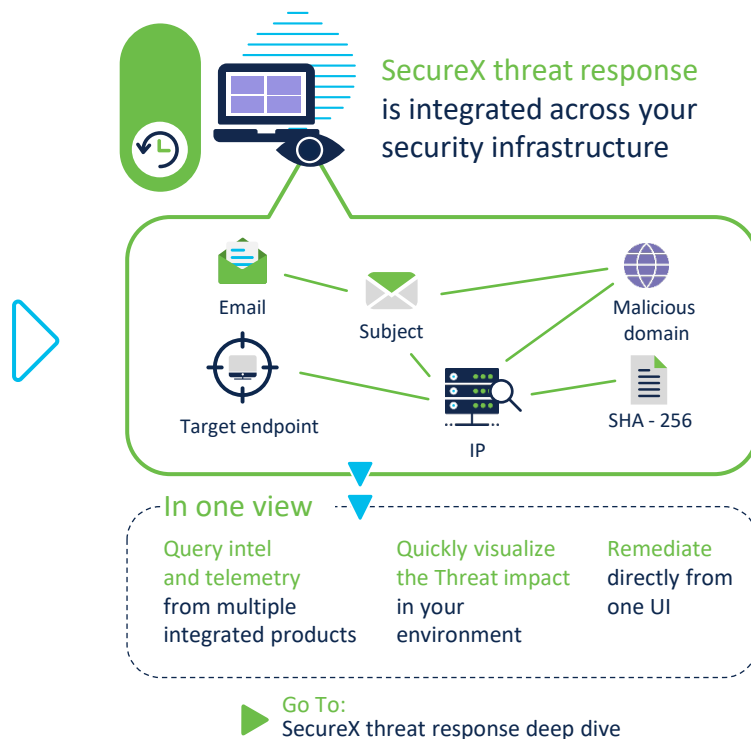


Threat Hunting Simplified

Before: 32 minutes



After: 5 minutes



Next Steps

- Learn DevOps Concepts: developer.cisco.com
- Build Playbooks: www.incidentresponse.com/playbooks
- dCloud Labs: dCloud.cisco.com
- Security Blueprint: ciscosecurityblueprint.com
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University of the District of Columbia Overview

- Established by Abolitionist Myrtilla Miner in 1851
- Only Public University in the Nation's Capital
- Committed to a Mission of Education, Research, and Community Service

Where We Started Our Security Journey

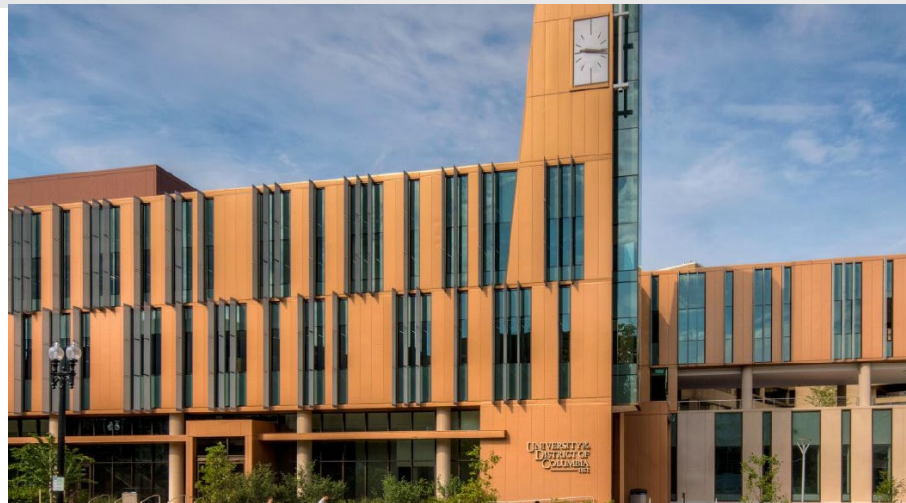
- “Flat” Network – Little to no separation of network users / devices
- No Threat Inspection – Unable to see / address bad actors
- No Identity – Unable to determine who / what is on the network

Where We Are Today On Our Security Journey

- Macro and Micro Segmentation
- Threats Mitigated at Multiple Layers (IPS / Malware / DNS)
- End-to-End Visibility of Who and What is on the Network

What's Left On Our Security Journey

- Utilize Segmentation to Further Restrict Access
- Endpoint Security Management
- Multi-Factor Authentication
- Automation – Turn the data to quick action



Advice:

- Triage Weak Points
- Get Data First
- Intelligence and Response Come Next
- Make It Easy on Your Users
- Inform, But Don't Spam
- Prevent “Hurdles”



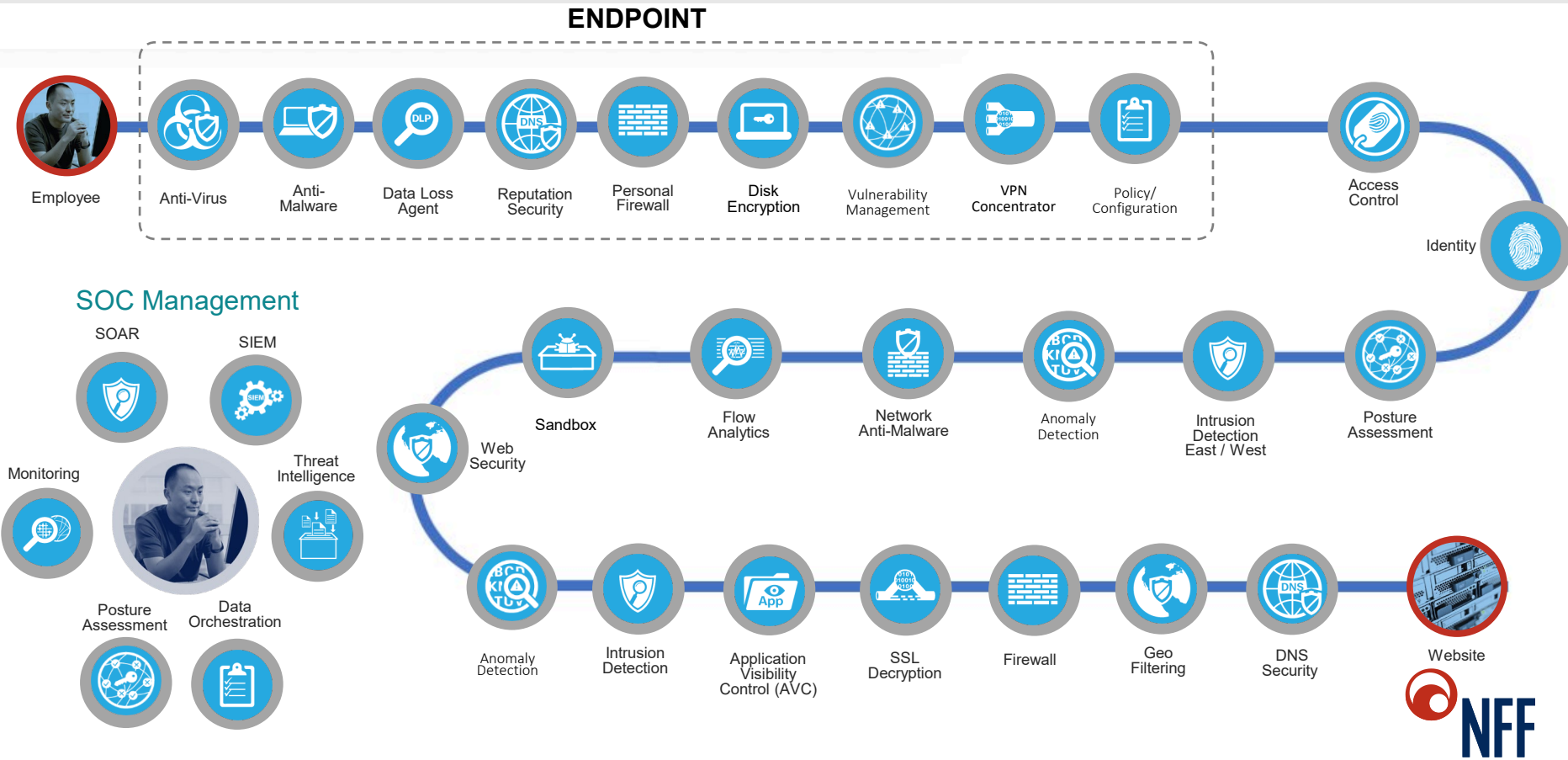
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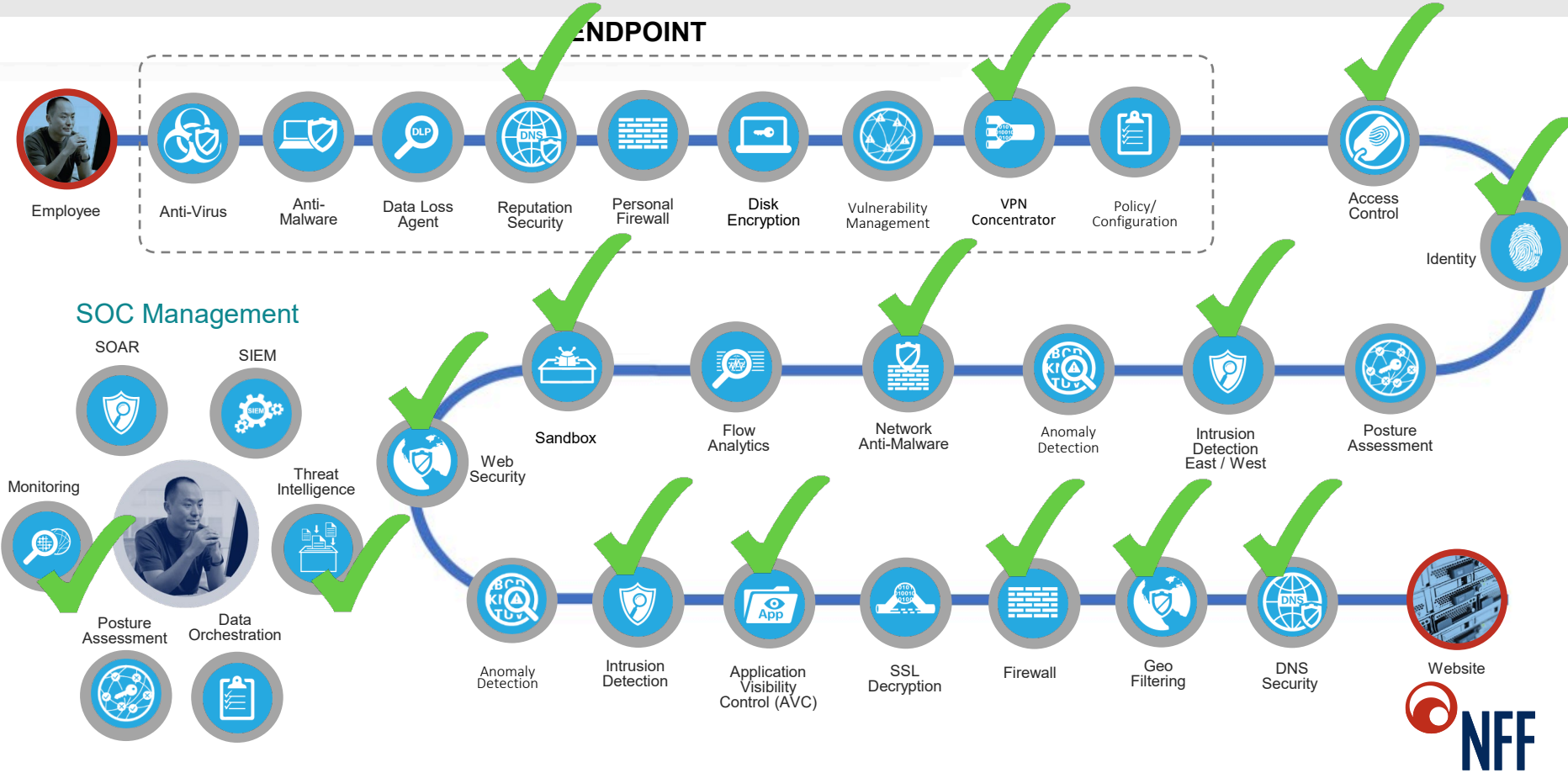
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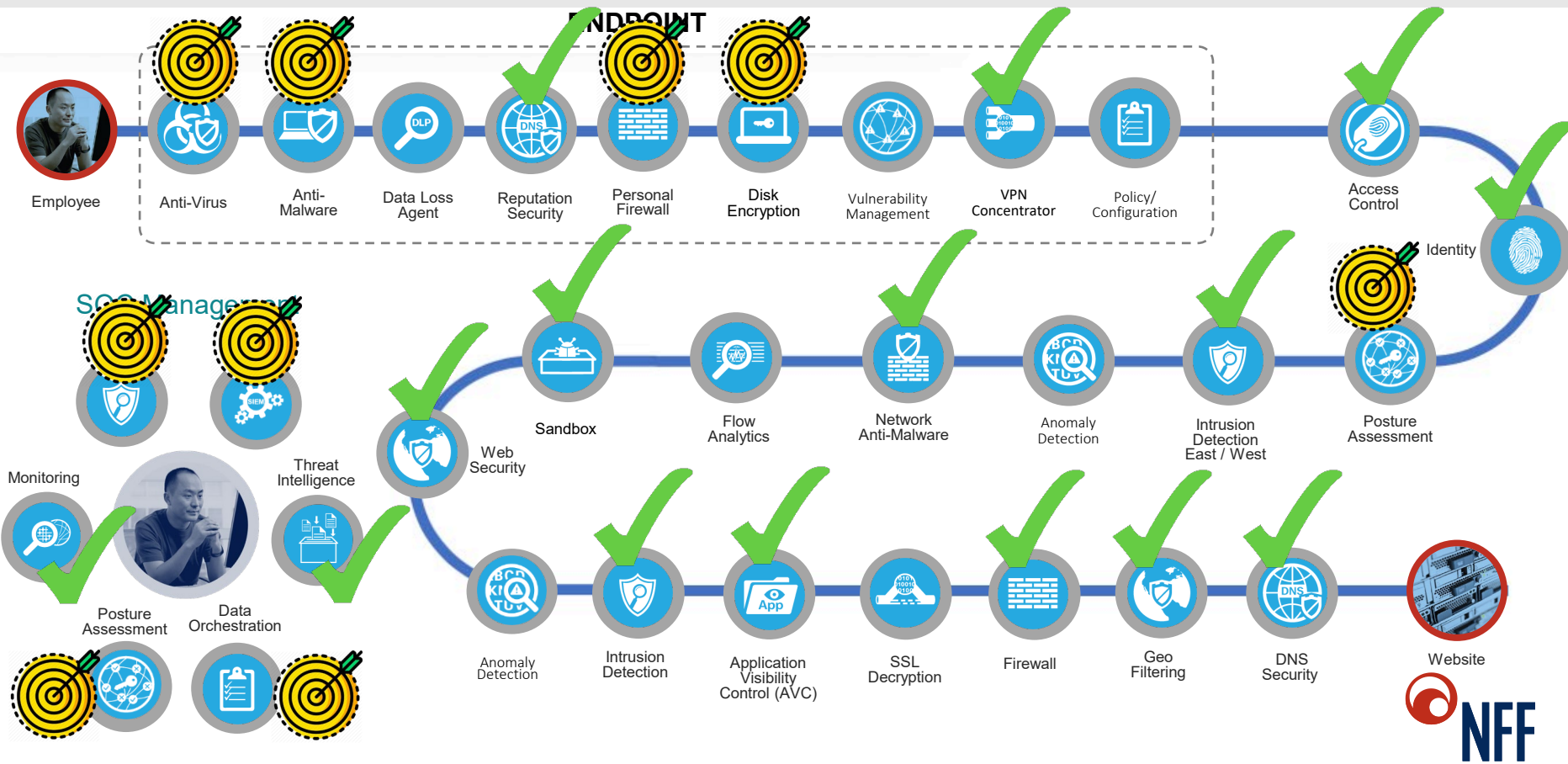
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Final Thoughts

Questions and Answers
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is our measure of success.**

Thank You!