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Website Modernization Program

The Commonwealth of Virginia (COV) website modernization program was created to ensure all state websites provide an accessible, trusted and secure experience for all Virginians. Specifically, the program looks to aid agencies in meeting the COV web standards.

Visit the web hub

Sept. 19 meeting resources

Thank you again for those that were able to join us on Tuesday, Sept.19, for our latest web modernization program update meeting.

If you missed it or would like to view the recording or presentation, please see the links below:

- View the recording here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rsq4ipPaQLg
- Check out the presentation here: https://www.vita.virginia.gov/media/vitavirginiagov/services/pdf/website-

See below for key highlights from the meeting worth reiterating.

Security

*Use of Acunetix 360 is **required** and needs active participation from you.*

Vulnerabilities will stay "Present" on your reports until a remediator has marked the issue as "Fixed (Unconfirmed)." Each issue must be updated and actively rescanned if automatic retesting is not available. The status will only update to "Fixed (Confirmed)" after the remediation has been validated.

- Critical and high vulnerabilities that are marked as "present" for more than 30 days will appear to be out of compliance, whether or not they have been fixed. You must confirm the fixes within Acunetix 360.

- Information security officers - contact VITA's security team at commonwealthsecurity@vita.virginia.gov to request Acunetix 360 for your team members.

Architecture

*Architecture review is **required** for all new sites or sites undergoing architecturally significant changes.*

Architectural significance is defined in the enterprise architecture standard (EA225) as "a concern, problem or system element that has a wide impact on the structure of a system, or on its important quality properties such as performance, scalability, security, reliability or evolvability."

- **Significant**: re-platforming, adding features/functionality, etc.
- **Not Significant**: adding content, images, etc. to existing structures.

Software requests

The web modernization software request form has gone live! Search the VITA service portal for '**WebMod Software Request**' or follow this link to the form: https://vccc.vita.virginia.gov/vita?id=sc_cat_item&sys_id=10dab5ef1b807d5011aacb37624bcb8b

Use the form to request Siteimprove accounts and access to the JAWS Inspect and Fusion software. Google reCAPTCHA and Elastic Search will be available for request soon, too.

Next Steps

- Attend security office hours on Tuesdays at 10 a.m.

Click here to join the meeting

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_ZGQzZjI4M2QtN2RmYi00ZTdlLTgxOTMtNjQ2NmQzZWQ2NDQz%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22620ae5a9-4ec1-4fa0-8641-5d9f386c7309%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22cdf12711-ba3e-4dfb-8a5d-9c62cecdf5c8%22%7d

Or call in here: 434-230-0065, Conference ID: 542 653 741#

- Contact webmod@vita.virginia.gov if you need help!

If you have questions or would like to be added to the distribution list for this newsletter, please contact **webmod@vita.virginia.gov**.

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