

# **Chief Information Security Officer (CISO)**

## **State of Kansas**

This senior level policy officer is responsible for plans and programs to address issues relating to the security of the State's Information Technology infrastructure. The policy area includes, but is not limited to the security of IT infrastructure as it relates to all agencies under the Executive branch of state government. The incumbent also works with other state and federal agencies in exchanging IT security information of mutual benefit. Incumbent serves as the co-chair of the state Security Council and oversees the implementation of state security policies and practices. This position receives general guidance from the Chief Information Technology Officer (CITO).

### **Major Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Manage the development and implementation of statewide IT security policies, standards, guidelines and procedures to ensure ongoing maintenance of IT security. Information protection responsibilities will include network security architecture, network access and monitoring policies, employee education and awareness.
- Identify, track and respond to information security goals, objectives and metrics consistent with the strategic plans of the Office of Information Technology Services and the Executive branch of state government.
- Directs and manages a network of information security staff and vendors across executive branch agencies to safeguard state government computer systems, intellectual property and assets. Manage and train a team of IT Security staff to perform regular audits and IT security assessments of state agencies. Coordinate with outside vendors, when necessary, with regards to IT security issues at Executive branch agencies.
- Lead operational risk management activities to reduce IT security risks across State government. Work with other executives to prioritize security initiatives and spending based on appropriate risk management and/or financial methodology.
- Oversee incident response planning as well as the investigation of security breaches, and assist with disciplinary and legal matters associated with such breaches as necessary.
- Responsible for state security reporting program(s) to the Federal government. Coordinates efforts with corresponding security officers from other branches of the government.

**Qualifications:**

Preference will be given to candidates with a 4-year college degree in a technical discipline from an accredited college or university. CISSP Certification is also preferred.

Candidate must be an intelligent, articulate and persuasive leader who can serve as an effective member of the senior management team and who is able to communicate security-related concepts to a broad range of technical and non-technical staff. They must have a demonstrated ability to manage a team of distributed IT security personnel across multiple divisions and facilities.

Candidate should have 10+ years of progressive experience and responsibility in the information technology discipline with demonstrated experience in business continuity planning, IT security auditing, and risk management, as well as a solid understanding of information technology and information security practices.

Ability to obtain and retain US Secret clearance and Office of Information Technology Services Level II security clearance are a condition of continued employment.

Salary Range: \$80K to \$105K depending on qualifications.

**How to Apply:** Please send a cover letter and resume to:

Vicki Harding, Office of Human Resources, [vicki.harding@da.ks.gov](mailto:vicki.harding@da.ks.gov)

Academic transcripts will be required at time of interview.

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

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