

Ohio Persistent Cyber Improvement Program

Empowering Ohio's local government entities through education, training, exercise, continuous assessment, and mentorship through a Persistent Cyber Improvement ecosystem.

Overview

Ohio Persistent Cyber Improvement (O-PCI) is a training program delivered by the Ohio Cyber Range Institute (OCRI), funded through the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) and the State of Ohio, to be delivered at no cost to Ohio-based local government entities.

O-PCI was established to support local government entities and their staff in all of Ohio's 88 counties. The Persistent Cyber Improvement model positions local government entities to build and sustain the capacity to anticipate, adapt, withstand and, when necessary, recover from cyber aggression.

O-PCI Training Gateways

(Training time requirement varies by staff role)

Training is a blend of online, hybrid, and in-person modules that are tailored to local government entities of all sizes. Local government entities and their staff will be guided through three Gateways of educational content customized to their staff's unique roles.

Training time requirements for staff roles are as follows: executives (nine hours), managers (nine hours), IT staff (25 hours), and general staff (three hours).

Gateway 1: Core

Understanding Concepts and National Standards Completion: One month - 25 hours of training content

Gateway 2: Standard

Put it into Practice with Behavior Change Completion: Two months - 29 hours of training content

Gateway 3: Advanced

Drilling your Plans and Procedures

Completion: Two months - 46 hours of training content

How to Participate

- County leadership can register: ohiocyberrangeinstitute.org/opci
- County leadership will meet with OCRI staff for an onboarding process, including review of training requirements, timeline, and required documentation
- Through a combination of county leadership and OCRI outreach, sub-county governments will join a geographical training cohort
- Training begins once a cohort of local government entities are onboarded and required documentation is completed

