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Cyber Resilience in Health and Care

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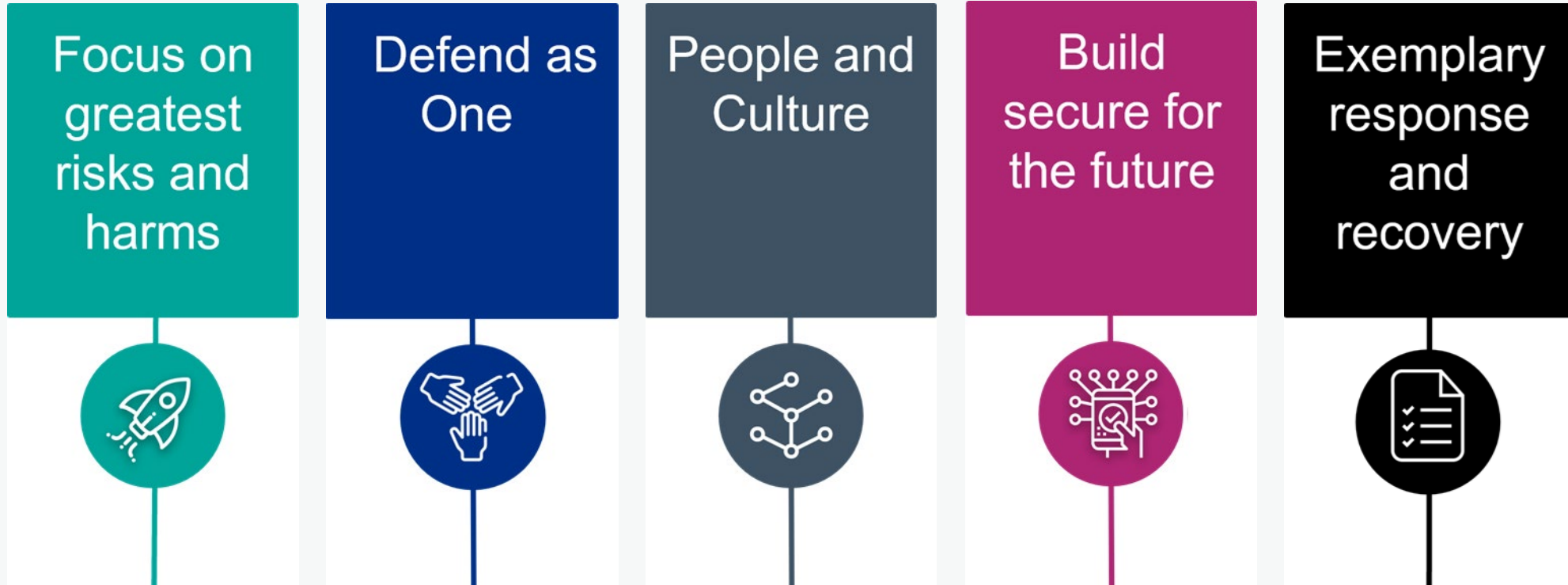
Context

- A unified approach for a decentralised sector
- National cyber teams
 - Set direction
 - Provide central support
- Strategy, policy and standards
- Technical innovation, development and deployment
- Manage systemic cyber risk
- Regional teams
- ICS responsible for cyber resilience across their area
- Health and social care organisations



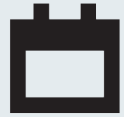
Cyber Security Strategy to 2030

Five complementary pillars directing the system's overall approach to cyber resilience



Vision: A health and social care sector that is resilient to cyber-attack, in turn improving the safety of patients and service users

Cyber Strategy – areas of focus to 2025



Update the Data Security Protection Toolkit to reflect the Cyber Assessment Framework



Provide funding for local Cyber resource with national training support



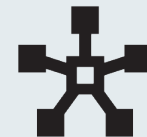
Publish data landscape review of the status of Cyber in Adult Social Care



Develop a product to map critical suppliers, engaging them through dedicated channels



Enhance CSOC and Develop Framework to support local CSOC Centres



Publish an implementation plan for the next 2–3 years



Area of focus - approach to assurance

Update the Data Security Protection Toolkit...

- In place since 2018 and built on previous assurance mechanisms
- Matures and iterates year on year
- Focus on MFA policy for large organisations
<https://digital.nhs.uk/cyber-and-data-security/guidance-and-assurance/multi-factor-authentication-mfa-policy>
- Moving away from the 10 National Data Guardian (NDG) standards
<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ndg-and-nhs-england-issue-joint-statement-about-nhs-data-security-and-protection-toolkit>
- Moving to CAF- aligned approach 2024/25 for large organisations
<https://www.dsptoolkit.nhs.uk/News/DSPT-Changes-in-24-25>
- Network & Information Systems (NIS) Regulations (Operators of Essential Services)

It Has Been an “Interesting” Year

We're only as strong as our weakest link

- Information Commissioner’s Office issued provisional £6m fine for Advanced
- Synnovis pathology service
- Shared Services Connect
- Attack on equipment supplier
- Attacks on global organisations
- Tewkesbury Borough Council
- Transport for London (TfL)



What have we seen...



Phishing

Delivery of malware / credentials for access



High Severity Alerts

Unpatched vulnerabilities being exploited



Weak passwords

Internet-facing / re-use of passwords



Remote access

Abuse of unpatched solutions / RDP



Enable MFA

Internet facing accounts / Admin accounts



Joiners/Movers/Leavers

Closing/removing old accounts / restricting access



Use of national services

CSOC / MDE / licensing / NCSC ACD

What's next?

Who knows?!

- AI / Machine Learning / Quantum Computing / Post Quantum Cryptography
- New Government
- Spending reviews
- Darzi Report
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/independent-investigation-of-the-nhs-in-england>
- Cyber Security and Resilience Bill
- Designating data centres as Critical National Infrastructure
<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/data-centres-to-be-given-massive-boost-and-protections-from-cyber-criminals-and-it-blackouts>
- Continue the conversation - Cyber Associates Network
<https://digital.nhs.uk/cyber-and-data-security/about-us/cyber-associates-network>



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