

## ARE YOU PREPARED FOR THE NCUA'S IN-DEPTH CYBERSECURITY EXAMINATION?

### CHANGE IS COMING

Starting in 2018, NCUA examiners will use the Automated Cybersecurity Examination Tool (ACET) to assess the cyber posture of credit unions. The Excel spreadsheet tool, constructed by the NCUA for examiner use, employs over 530 Statements and over 200 unique document requests to establish an institution's Inherent Risk Profile and Cybersecurity Maturity level. While it resembles the FFIEC Cybersecurity Assessment Tool (CAT), the ACET's focus is assessing cybersecurity posture through documentary evidence substantiating the answers to the 530 Statements. Feedback from 2017 pilot testing has shown that completing this in-depth assessment may take up to 3 weeks of examiner on-site time.

### IS YOUR INSTITUTION READY?

Preparing for the NCUA's updated cybersecurity examination is a team effort. It calls for collaboration across departments, including IT, Risk, Compliance, and Internal Audits. It's also a significant undertaking that can tie teams up for weeks as they wrestle with

the complexities of addressing the statements and assembling the documentation that the ACET demands. Coordinating a multi-department effort over the course of a year is a complex undertaking. Using a spreadsheet to bring it all together adds to the difficulty.

### THE ACET COLLABORATION PORTAL

The Redstone Consulting Group (RCG) created the ACET Collaboration Portal™ to resolve the challenges posed by the ACET examination. The ACET Collaboration Portal is a SaaS solution that eases preparation for and completion of the NCUA ACET examination. The Portal allows teams to collaborate and prepare for the examination on their schedule. It coordinates workflow and tracks progress, presenting several dashboard views into readiness. Sensitive information remains confidential within Virtual StrongBox, the industry's leading secure on-line document PaaS. Through its use, teams can thoroughly prepare for the Examination while minimizing the commitment of skilled resources.

### KEY FEATURES OF THE PORTAL

Team Collaboration On-Line

Integrated Approval Workflow

Pre-Defined Team Member Roles

Secure Document Vaulting

Security & Change Tracking

External Collaboration Options

Progress Tracking Dashboards

Team Assignment Module

Multi-Year Archive Capabilities

Available On-Line 24x7

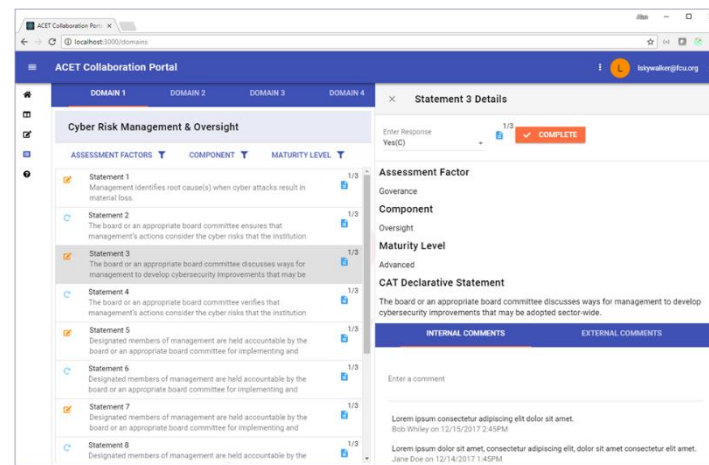
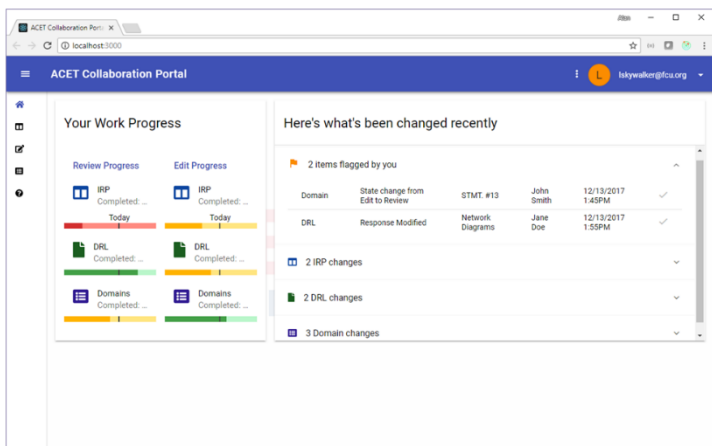
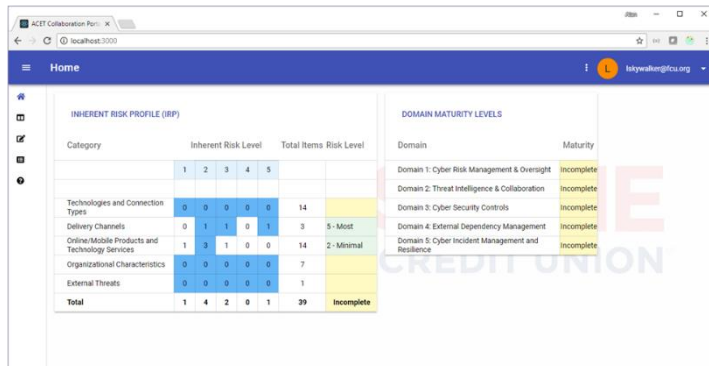
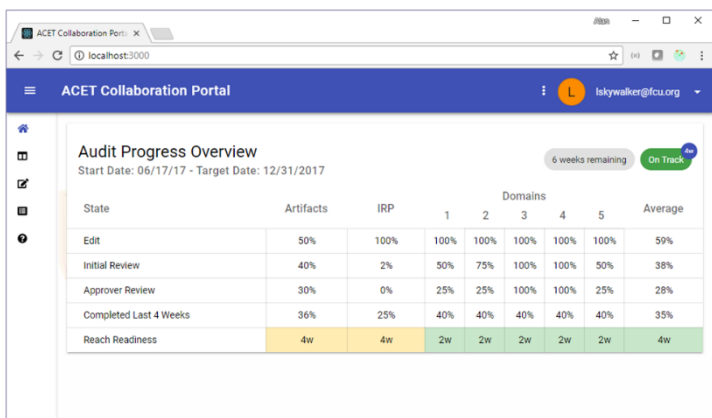
Examiner Collaboration Options

Cyber Posture Dashboards

User Selectable Views

Institutional Memory

Matches NCUA's ACET Exam



## BENEFITS TO CREDIT UNIONS

- **Greater Efficiency** – Prepare on your schedule and spend less time overall through the Portal’s workflow and collaboration capabilities
- **Timeliness** – Progress dashboards and “nudging” capabilities keep your team on schedule
- **Shared Context** – Capture the rationale for decisions and remember them over time with the institutional memory built into the ACET Portal
- **Reduced Workload** – Shorten examinations and examiner time on-site through advanced

preparation and the use of external collaboration capabilities

- **Increased Effectiveness** – Minimize surprises and potentially reduce examination findings through thorough, documented, and structured preparation

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