



# Cybersecurity Board

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State Agency Leaders:

On August 13, 2019, Governor Brian P. Kemp issued an Executive Order requiring all employees of Executive Branch agencies to complete cybersecurity awareness training aimed at protecting state systems from cyber-attacks. The Georgia Technology Authority is working with the State Government Systems Cybersecurity Review Board to provide this training, delivered via Proofpoint Wombat, to agencies at no charge.

**The first training session will focus on phishing and ransomware. The Board can extend the deadline for completion of mandatory cybersecurity training to October 30, 2019 if needed.** Each agency must designate a training coordinator and notify David Allen, Chief Information Security Officer of the Georgia Technology Authority (GTA). GTA will work closely with the coordinator to ensure that the training is available to all employees and provide reports to track compliance.

The Executive Order requires that employees take cybersecurity training at least twice annually. Based on the recommendations of the State Government Systems Cybersecurity Review Board, additional training modules will be added to Proofpoint Wombat for use by state employees. We look forward to working with you to provide this important training for state employees. If you have questions, please contact David Allen at (404) 463-1033 or [david.allen@gta.ga.gov](mailto:david.allen@gta.ga.gov).

Sincerely,

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