

**2012 Department of Defense, Chief Information Officer (DoD CIO)
Information Assurance (IA) Awards
Nominations Instructions**

A. Purpose:

The DoD CIO Information Assurance Awards recognize military and/or civilian government personnel and organizations that have made significant contributions towards implementing DoD Identity and Information Assurance (I&IA) objectives (Goal 4) of the DoD Information Enterprise Strategic Plan (IESP) 2010-2012. The IESP is available at: <http://cio-nii.defense.gov/docs/DodIESP-r16.pdf>. The elements of IESP Goal 4 are further expanded in the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Cyber, Identity and Information Assurance (DASD(CIIA)) Strategy available at: http://iase.disa.mil/policy-guidance/dasd_ciia_strategy_aug2009.pdf

B. Eligibility:

Recipient(s) may be an individual (military or civilian government employee), group, or program across the DoD Enterprise. Target nominees are GS15/ 06 equivalent and below.

C. Criteria for Nomination:

- 1) Individuals nominated for the non-monetary individual awards have made significant contributions not normally expected of them in their regular assignments. Teams nominated for an award will have made significant contributions in the enhancement of the security posture for an organization, enterprise or a local computing environment. Specific outcomes and results should be cited as examples in support of one or more of the strategic objectives.
- 2) Degree of support for advancing IA in DoD:
 - a) Does the achievement or act support one or more areas?
 - b) Can we build on this success in other areas?
 - c) Impact; the results of the achievement or act impact the organization, enterprise or local environment?
 - d) Best Practices; can it be shared across the enterprise?
 - e) Innovativeness & Initiative; degree of difficulty to overcome challenges (what were the obstacles, issues, and challenges which were overcome)?
- 3) One individual and one team will be honored in each of the four areas (8 total awards):
 - a) Objective 1: Organize for unity of purpose and speed of action
 - b) Objective 2: Enable secure mission-driven access to information and services
 - c) Objective 3: Anticipate and prevent successful attacks on data and networks
 - d) Objective 4: Prepare for and operate through cyber degradation or attack

D. Submission Instructions:

1) Nomination Package:

- a) Each nomination shall use the 2012 DoD CIO IA Awards Nomination Template.
- b) Proposed Citation paragraph not to exceed 150 words, Arial Font, 12 Pitch.

2) Organizations are responsible for funding their own TDY expenses.

3) Nominations may be emailed to diap@osd.mil or mailed to the DoD CIO/Defense-wide Information Assurance Program (DIAP), Attn: Dr. Rocky Young, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Alexandria VA 22350-1900. Nominations are due to DIAP by 15 May 2012.

4) Awardees will be formally recognized by the DoD CIO at the annual Information Assurance Symposium, scheduled for 27-30 Aug 2012 in Nashville, TN.

5) The point of contact is Dr Rocky Young, DIAP, at email: robert.young@osd.mil, 571-372-4726.