



Defense Information Systems Agency

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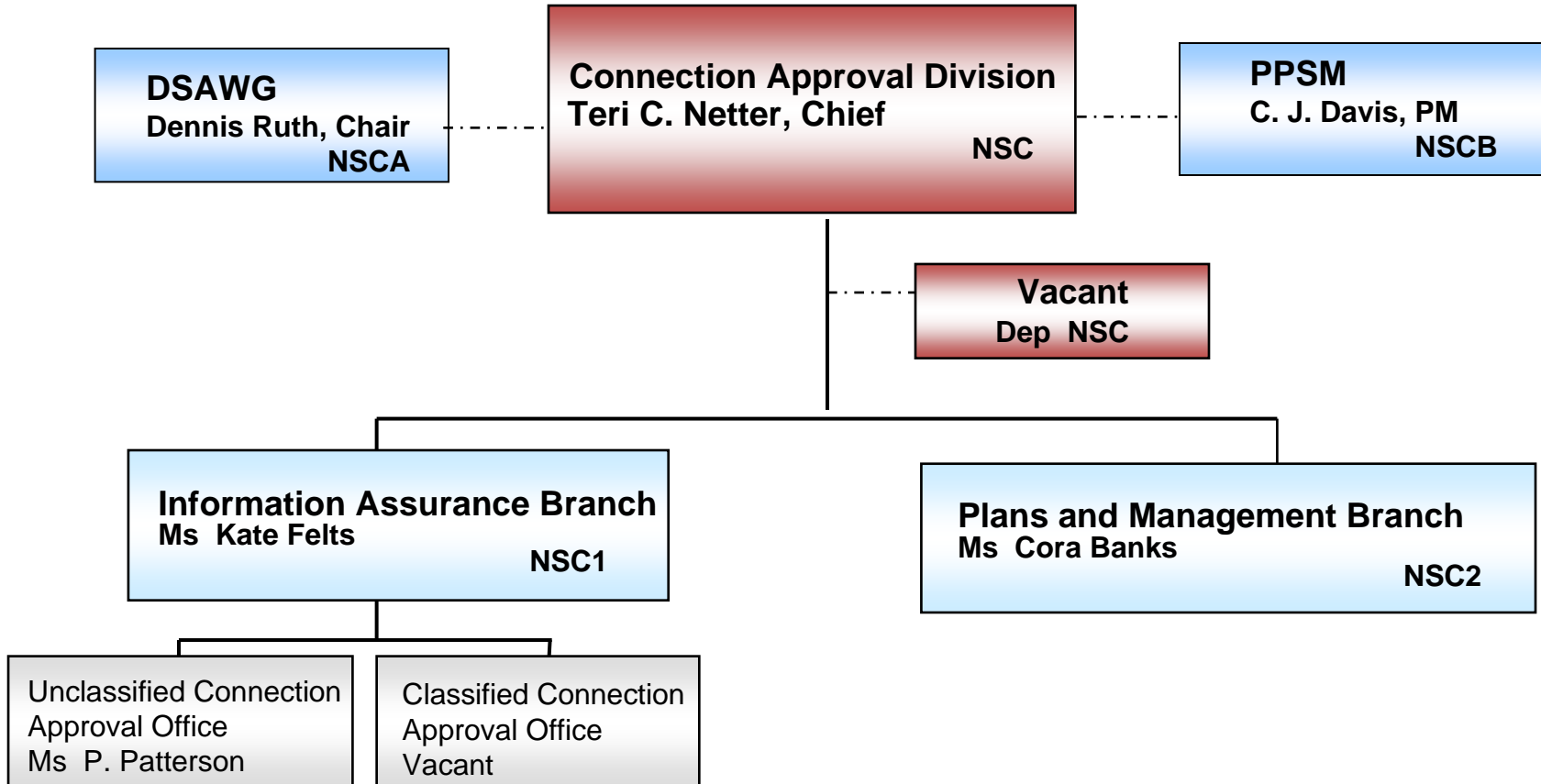
# Ports, Protocols, and Services Management (PPSM)

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# NSC Org Chart



# PPSM Mission

**Develop and implement DoD policy and procedures that govern the use and management of applications, protocols, and services (with their associated ports) in DoD Information Systems; in a manner that promotes network security, interoperability, and the evolution of net-centric operations across the Enterprise Networks.**



**“ Committed to Protecting Data End-to-End ”**



# What is PPSM ?

**Created to ensure that applications, protocols, and services (with their associated ports) used in DoD Information Systems are registered, controlled, and regulated.**

**PPSM provides support to:**

- **Acquisition and Development**
- **Certification and Accreditation**
- **Enterprise, Organization, and System DAAs**
- **NetOps**
- **Perimeter and boundary defense**
- **Connection approval processes (UCAO/CCAO/DSAWG/DISN PAA)**
- **Firewall Administrators**

**Best known use - to configure network security devices  
(e.g. routers, firewalls, and IDS/IPS)**

# Why is PPSM Important?

To identify the vulnerabilities and risks associated with the use of certain protocols or services:

- Registered in the DoD PPSM Registry
- Undergo a vulnerability assessment
- Assigned an assurance category
- Regulated based on their potential to cause damage to DoD operations.

**Adhering to PPSM guidance minimizes the inherent risk associated with the use of an application's protocols and services**

# What if I Do Not Comply ?

**Failure to comply with DoD Ports, Protocols, and Services Management (PPSM) requirements can result in:**

- **Compromise of the enclave boundary protections**
- **Impair functionality of the protocols and services**
- **DoD Information System exposed to unnecessary risk**

**DCPP-1 : DoD information systems do not comply with DoD PPSM guidance, are not identified, or are not registered**

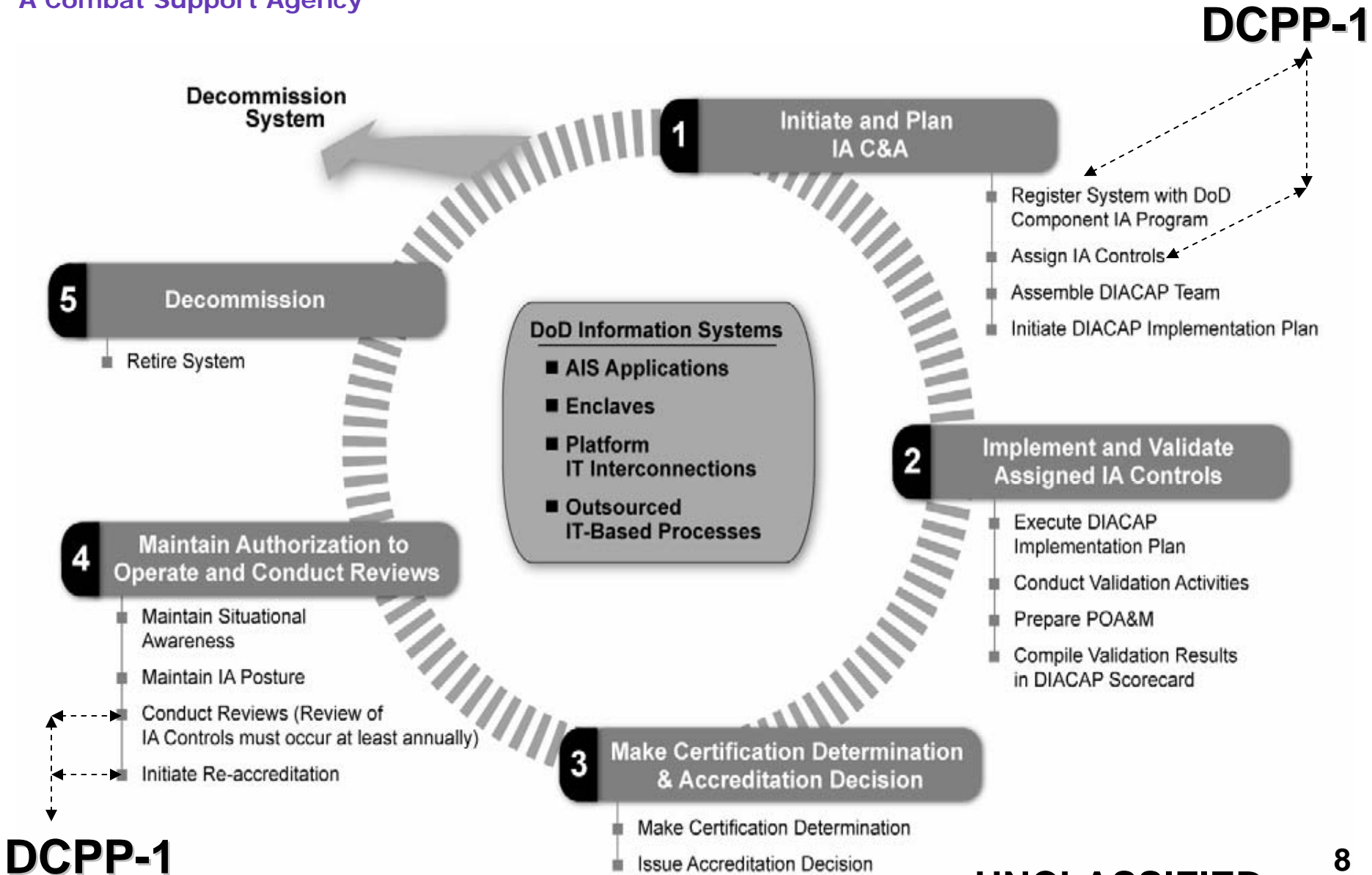
# What Else Should I Know ?

## Negative Impacts:

- **Certification & Accreditation (C&A)**
- **Hosting/Fielding Systems in the Defense Enterprise Computing Centers (DECCs)**
- **May not be allowed to connect to GIG**
- **Traffic being Blocked by Destination Firewalls**

**Open, undocumented, and unnecessary ports, protocols, and services increase the risk of data compromise and system unavailability**

# When to Comply w/PPSM DIACAP Activities







# PPSM Process

- Register DoD IS – PPSM URL: <https://pnp.cert.smil.mil>
- VA team researches associated protocols and services
- Technical Advisory Group (TAG)
- PPSM CCB Votes on Category Assurance Levels (CAL)
- Products published on IASE and DKO websites (high/low)

## Information Assurance Support Environment – IASE

NIPRNet - <http://iase.disa.mil/ports/index.html>

SIPRNet - <http://iase.disa.smil.mil/ports/index.html>

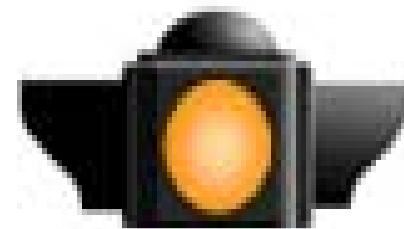
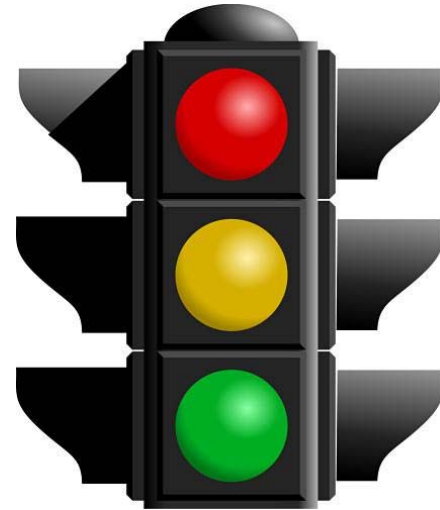
## Army Knowledge Online/Defense Knowledge Online - AKO/DKO

NIPRNet - <https://www.us.army.mil/suite/page/396114>

SIPRNet - <http://www.us.army.smil.mil/suite/page/13648>

# Assurance Levels

- **Red – Banned**
- **Yellow – Acceptable**
- **Green – Best Practice**
  
- **Orange – Controlled (DSAWG Approved)**
  - Operational Need
  - System by System basis





# 2009 Accomplishments

- **Provided greater clarity of PPSM policy and technical guidance**
- **Redesigned the analysis criteria**
- **Developed and published the Exception Management Process**
- **PPSM training module -- DISN Data Services Training Manual.**
- **Introduced a new Assurance Category & Exception Process**
- **Awarded DISA Non-Technical Program/Project of the Year**

# Future Outlook

- **Link the PPSM (Registry) database with other repositories**
- **Incorporating Air Force PPSM database**
- **Compliance validation and configuration management toolsets**
- **Differentiating between Classified and Unclassified environments**
- **Ability to access the PPSM Registry on the low side (NIPRNet)**

# PPSM



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# Questions?



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# Back ups

# Stakeholders

## Who depends on PPSM?

- DoD
- Non-DoD Agencies
- PAAs (Principal Accrediting Authorities)
- DAAs (Designated Accrediting Authorities)
- DSAWG
- JTF-GNO -- Network Operations/Enforcement
- FSO – STIGS and Audits
- DISA CIO -- Certification & Accreditation authority
- Development Program Managers
- Acquisition Program Managers
- Firewall Administrators
- Commercial Vendors

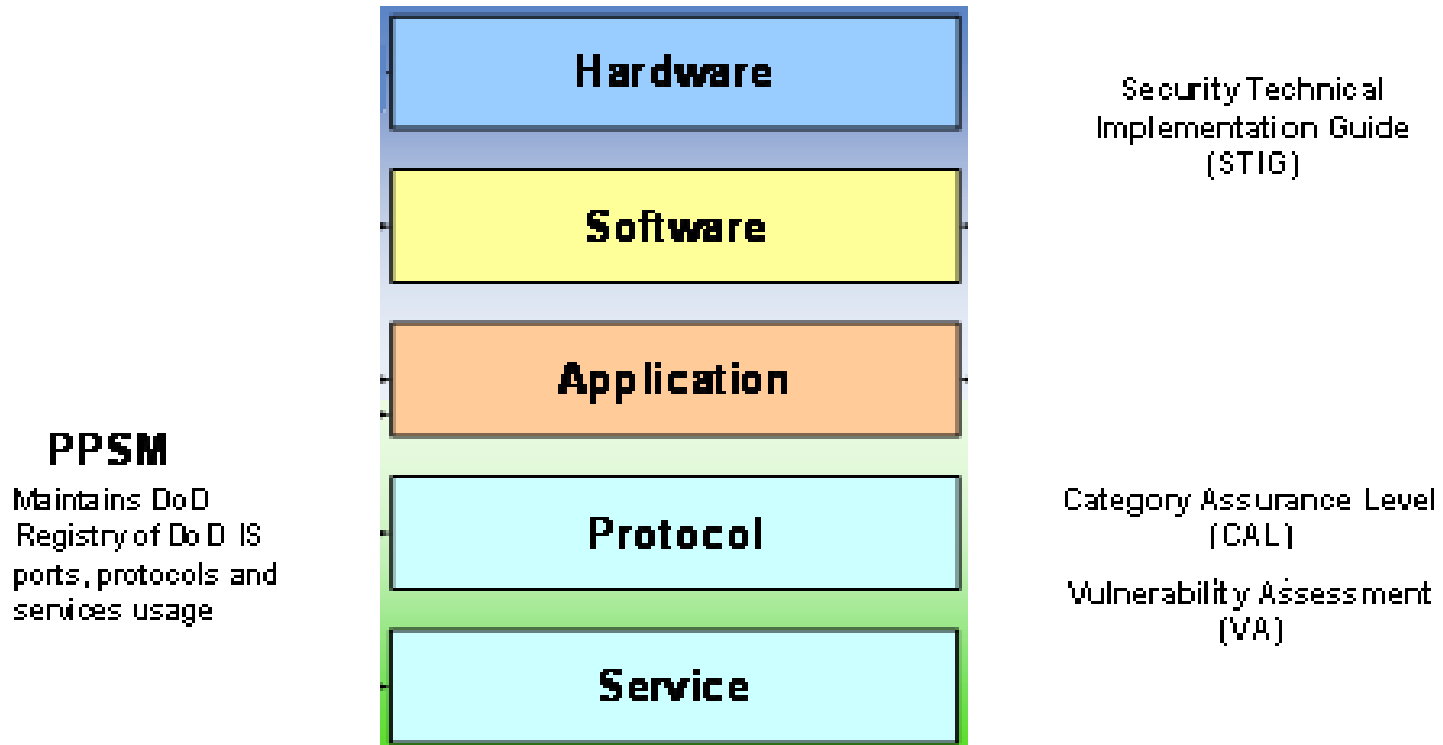


## DoD Information System

**Set of information resources organized for the collection, storage, processing, maintenance, use, sharing, dissemination, disposition, display, or transmission of information.**

**Includes AIS applications, enclaves, outsourced IT-based processes, and platform IT interconnections.**

# What does a DOD IS Look Like ?





# Assurance Level Changes

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Old

- **Green** (High assurance)
  - Considered best security practices and recommended for use when implemented with the required mitigation strategy and approved for a specific DoD information system.
- **Yellow** (Medium assurance)
  - acceptable for routine use only when implemented with the required mitigation strategy and approved for a specific DoD information system.
- **Red** (Low assurance)
  - Unacceptable vulnerability for routine use.
  - Only be allowed when approved by for a specific DoD information system under defined conditions and restrictions and if ***no suitable alternative exists.***

NEW !!!

- **Green** (Best Practice)
  - Recommended as best security practices
  - Technical vulnerability acceptable with minimal mitigations
  - Advocated for use in new systems
- **Yellow** (Acceptable)
  - Technical vulnerability can be acceptably mitigated
- **Orange** (Controlled)
  - Technical vulnerability cannot be mitigated to an acceptable level
  - Legacy usage only - based on operational need
  - Not for use in the Acquisition and Development of new systems
- **Red** (Banned)
  - Prohibited – No Exceptions!
  - Technical vulnerability cannot be mitigated
  - Malware
  - Protocols and Services with no Life Cycle Support  
Or, 3rd Party Maintenance Support

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# Exception Package

- **Operational Need**
- **Ports, Protocols, Services, and IP Addresses**
  - Includes hosts, IP address ranges, and subnets
- **Executive DIACAP package includes:**
  - **System Identification Profile (SIP)**
  - **DIACAP Implementation Plan (DIP)**
  - **System Accreditation Decision**
- **POA&M**



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