Polaris MEP CMMC Level 2 Kickstarter

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AN AFFORDABLE "KICKSTART" TOWARDS CMCC

Polaris MEP, the resource for Rhode Island manufacturers, is partnering with RI's Axiotrop to present an affordable, educational solution to "kickstart" the journey of defense contractors towards CMMC Level 2.

The cost of CMMC Level 2 has been reported as ranging from \$25,000 to \$125,000 or more. This has made CMMC out of reach for most smaller manufacturers – until now!

Thanks to support from RI MADE, Rhode Island defense manufacturers can participate in a cohort-style year-long training program that costs only \$11,000.

BENEFITS

Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) requirements must be met by all manufacturing companies who are in the defense supply chain (or wish to be). This will begin to apply, via phased rollout beginning in early 2025, to all companies within the DoD supply chain, not just primes.

The stakes are high as compliance with new standards are required in order to even bid for projects.

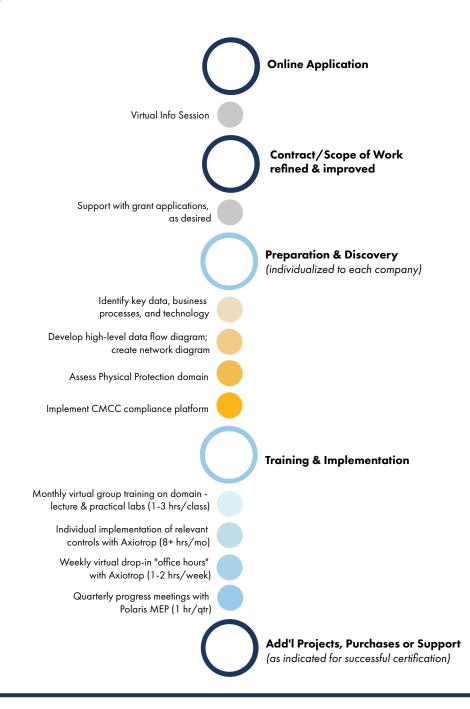
Participants in the CMMC Level 2 Kickstarter training will gain 60% to 80% of the required CMMC points.

Also, at the end of the program, your company will have a Plan of Action & Milestones (POAM) and roadmap for for additional implementation, purchases and work needed to achieve CMMC Level 2 and protect defense-related contracts.

HOW IT WORKS

Group classes are paired with high-touch individual implementation and support for a less stressful, more successful outcome.

Cohorts will run for 12 months, focusing on the top 8 domains of NIST SP 800-171 r2. These 8 domains cover 60% to 80% of the required CMMC points.









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SYLLABUS

Training Month		Topic	Venue
1	September 2024	Month of discovery at each client company, with on-site assessment of current technology and CMMC readiness	On-site
1	September 2024 (first class)	Welcome, expectations & introductions. CMMC Overview, what will happen in the next 12 months of this training Introduce the domain of Physical Protection	In person PVD
	Sep and ongoing	Coaching / implementation with Axiotrop between sessions	Scheduled individually
2	October	Introduce System & Information Integrity	Virtual (TEAMS)
	Oct and ongoing	Weekly virtual "office hours"	Virtual, drop-in
3	November	Introduce Maintenance	Virtual
4	December	Progress Meeting with Polaris MEP	On-site
5	January 2025	Introduce Media Protection	Virtual
6	February	Introduce Audit & Accountability	Virtual
7	March	Introduce System & Communications Protection	Virtual
7	March	Progress Meeting with Polaris MEP	On-site
8	April	Introduce Configuration Management	Virtual
9	May	Introduce Identification & Authentication	Virtual
9	May	Review Identification & Authentication	Virtual
9	May	Forward planning session with Axiotrop, Polaris MEP and the Polaris MEP RI MADE leader – progress recap, mapping a path to certification	On-site
10	June	Introduce Access Control	Virtual
11	July	Review Access Control	Virtual
12	August	Training close out meeting with Polaris MEP	





