

## What State Government Can Do To Bolster Cyber Security

1. Participate in National Cyber Security Awareness Month
2. Distribute Cyber Security Awareness posters for placement in government offices
3. Encourage employees to practice cyber security and protect their identity at home and in the workplace
4. Review cyber security top tips (available at [www.staysafeonline.org](http://www.staysafeonline.org)) at departmental meetings
5. Review and update network and computer acceptable use policies
6. Remind all computer users to change their passwords on a regular basis. Use long, complex passwords (letters, numbers, and symbols) to help thwart hackers
7. Conduct annual cyber security training for employees
8. Encourage citizens to report cyber crimes to the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center ([www.ic3.gov](http://www.ic3.gov)) and the FTC ([spam@uce.gov](mailto:spam@uce.gov))
9. Provide cyber security resources on state government websites. Link to: [www.its.ms.gov/services\\_security.shtml](http://www.its.ms.gov/services_security.shtml), [www.us-cert.gov/cas/tips/](http://www.us-cert.gov/cas/tips/), [www.onguardonline.gov](http://www.onguardonline.gov) and [www.staysafeonline.org](http://www.staysafeonline.org)
10. Encourage employees to visit the MS Department of Information Technology Services security webpage ([www.its.ms.gov/services\\_security.shtml](http://www.its.ms.gov/services_security.shtml)) for cyber security information



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