

Cybersecurity Protect Actions

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Audit Services completed a performance audit of Countywide Cybersecurity *Protect* actions. The Board of County Commissioners approved the audit as part of the 2021 Audit Plan. The objective of the audit was:

- Do the County IT Departments apply adequate and timely access controls to the network based on the NIST Cybersecurity framework for Identity Management, Authentication, and Access Controls?

Audit criteria and recommended practices were based on the NIST Cybersecurity Framework.

Audit Services made recommendations intended to reduce risk in the County's timeliness and application of network access controls. Management concurred with the findings and agreed with the recommendations.

Audit Services conducted this performance audit in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain sufficient, appropriate evidence to provide a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives. We believe that the evidence obtained provides a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives.

The audit is confidential under K.S.A. 45-221(a)(12) and (45). We reported the results to the Board of County Commissioners in executive session.

I appreciate the cooperation received from department and agency officials during the audit.

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