

VA Software Assurance Secure Coding Tips

Updated VA Top 10 Fortify Scan Issues Released

This week's Secure Coding Tip is about the release of an updated VA Top 10 Fortify Scan Issues For 2016 (Q3).[1] Scanning source code to perform code review is an authorization requirement included in the Technical / Testing Requirements of the OCS Accreditation Requirements Guide / SOP [2] , and enforced as part of the ATO issuance process.[3]

The VA Top 10 Fortify Scan Issues lists do not contain any vulnerability information. These lists can be used to learn from others, to become aware of common pitfalls. And, to help System Owners, Project Managers, Information Security Officers (ISOs), and all system / project / contractor staff with furthering awareness of the risk that software creates in the agency.

[Read more...](#)

[1] [VA Top 10 Fortify Scan Issues For 2016 \(Q3\)](#)

[2] "Accreditation Requirements Guide / Standard Operating Procedures", Office of Cyber Security (OCS) Assessment and Authorization intranet site.

[3] "Accreditation Requirements Expectation Memorandum" (Section 2.a.ii "Code Review"), VA Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) Stanley F. Lowe, March 19, 2014.

Resources

- [VA Software Assurance Support Site](#)
- [Request VA-licensed code review tools, validations, and support](#)
- [Latest VA Software Assurance Program Office announcements](#)
- [Learn more about VA code review processes](#)
- [VA Working Group Registration Instructions](#)
- [VA Application Registration Instructions](#)

Reminders

- An update to VA Fortify and secure coding training course availability will be published soon
- An update to the VA Software Assurance working group schedule will be published soon

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