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DON / DoD Zero Trust Metrics Collection System

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"Zero trust (ZT) is the term for an evolving set of **cybersecurity** paradigms that move defenses from static, network-based perimeters to focus on users, assets, and resources" - Zero Trust Architecture, NIST SP 800-207

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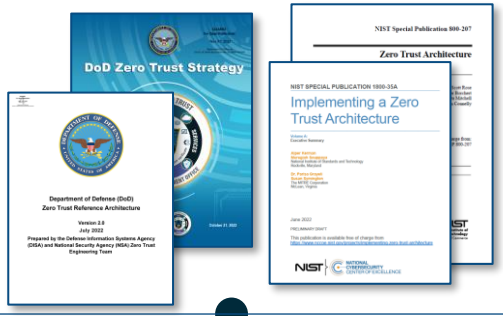
A Brief History of ZT within DoD and DON

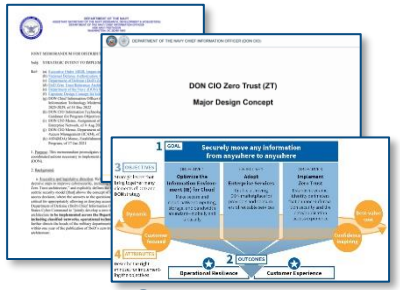
2021

President issued **Executive Order (EO) 14028, Improving the Nation's Cybersecurity,** initiating the Federal Government's migration to a zero trust architecture (ZTA).



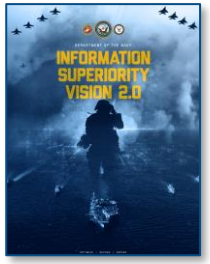
2022

DoD releases ***Zero Trust Reference Architecture*** and ***Zero Trust Strategy;*** NIST releases ***SP 800-207 Zero Trust Architecture*** and ***SP 1800-35A Implementing a Zero Trust Strategy***



2023

DON releases ***Strategic Intent for Zero Trust***, ***Capstone Design Concept for Information Superiority, Major Design Concepts for Zero Trust***, ***Navy Zero Trust Implementation Plan***



2024

DON CIO releases ***Information Superiority Vision 2.0*** highlights ZT as number 1 priority for making DON networks defendable and survivable by design

DON ZT I-Plan 2.0

Late 2024

DON must transition to a ZT cybersecurity framework for networks and implement ICAM by end of fiscal 2027

GOAL: DON is ZT compliant by 2030

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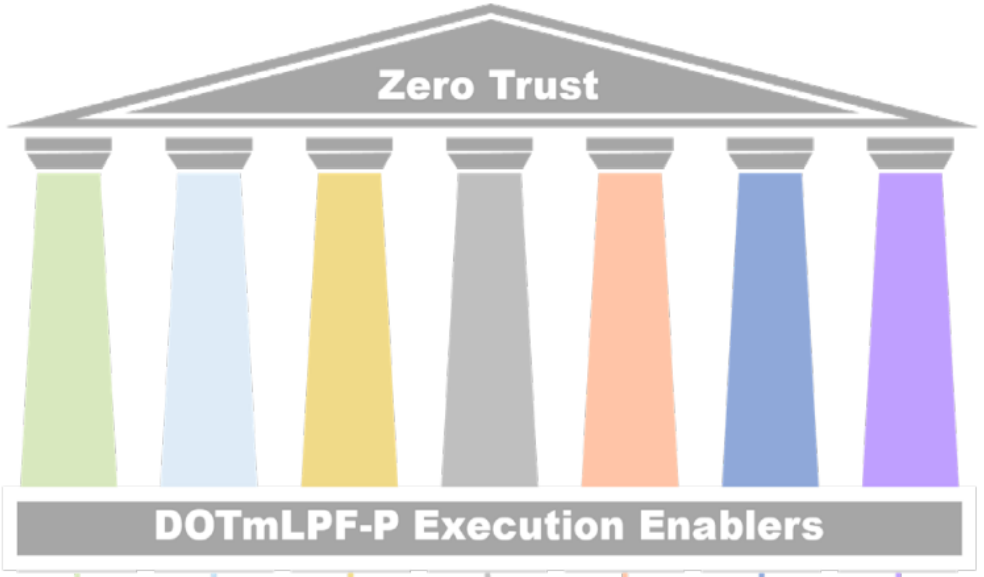
DoD Zero Trust Capability Pillars



User

Continually authenticate, access, and monitor user activity patterns to govern users' access and privileges while protecting and securing all interactions.

Devices

Understanding the health and status of devices informs risk decisions. Real time inspection, assessment and patching informs every access request.

Applications & Workloads

Secure everything from Applications to hypervisors, to include the protection of containers and virtual machines.

Data

Data transparency and visibility enabled and secured by enterprise infrastructure, applications, standards, robust end-to-end encryption, and data tagging.

Network & Environment

Segment, isolate and control (physically and logically) the network environment with granular policy and access controls.

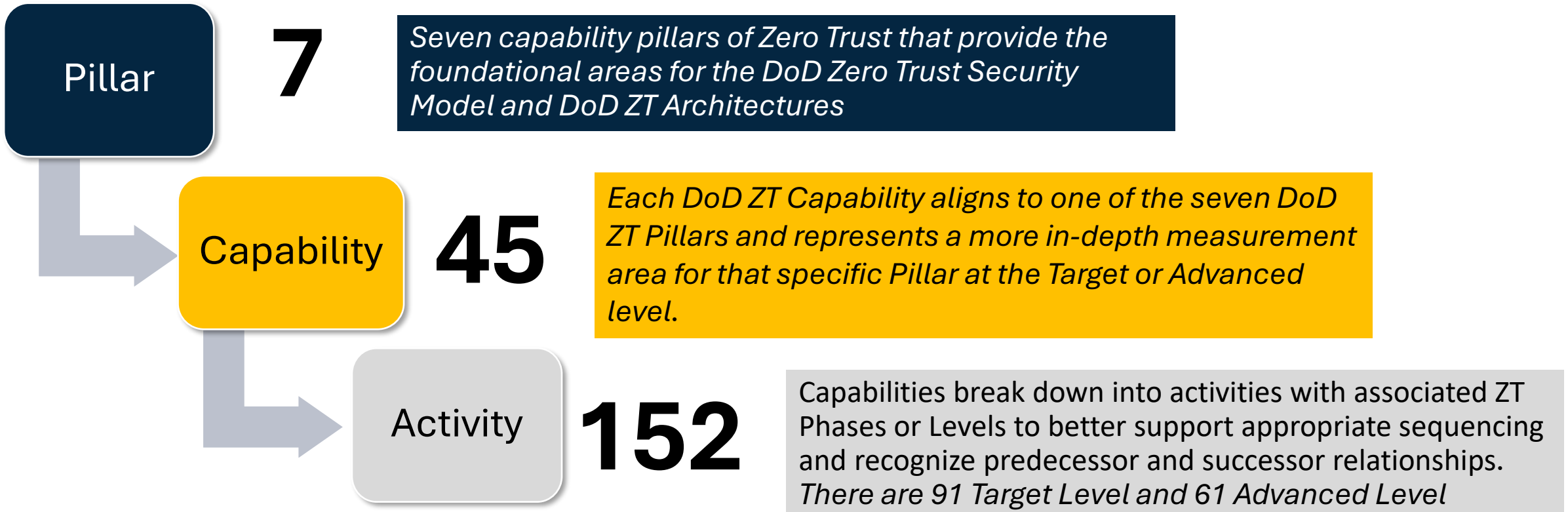
Visibility & Analytics

Analyze events, activities and behaviors to derive context and apply AI/ML to achieve a highly personalized model that improves detection and reaction time in making real-time access decisions.

Automation & Orchestration

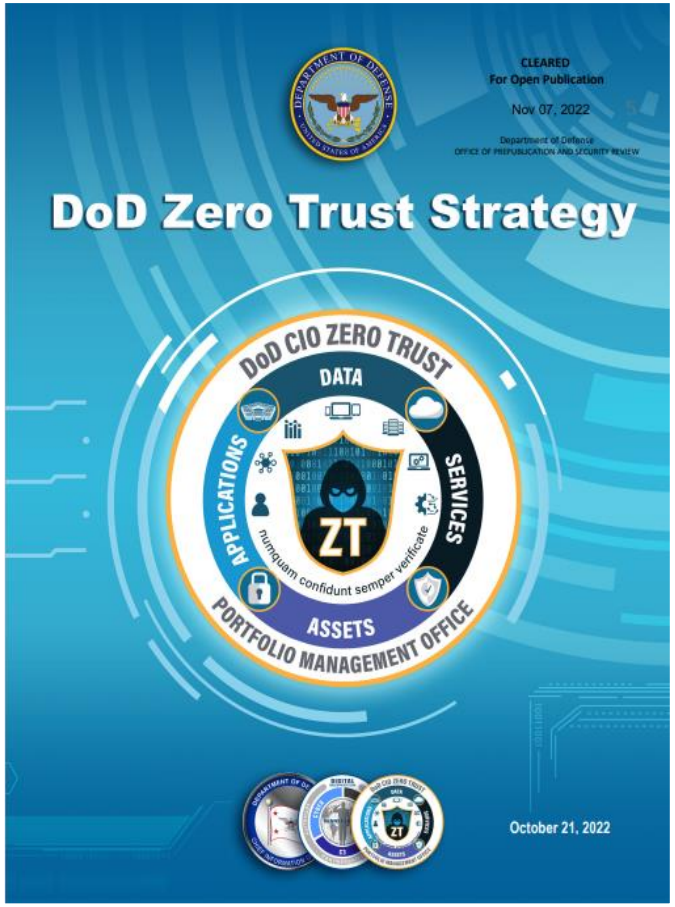
Automated security response based on defined processes and security policies enabled by AI, e.g., blocking actions or forcing remediation based on intelligent decisions.

Zero Trust Pillars, Capabilities, and Activities



Target ZT: All DoD organizations must achieve this level
Advanced ZT: Certain organizations must reach this level based on system and information sensitivity

Major ZT Imperatives for DoD Components



1. *Demonstrate "Target levels" of Zero Trust*
2. *Conduct regular assessments of their Zero Trust implementation*
3. *Develop and implement Zero Trust roadmaps and plans*
4. *Adopt and integrate Zero Trust capabilities, technologies, solutions, and processes*

Problem Statement for the DON

The DON needs a solution to track and communicate ZT implementation plan progress across **1,500+ DON programs, systems, applications, and networks** in a standardized way *(and make it easy for leadership to review status in real time)*

DON CDAO Functional Areas

Develop and maintain a strong connection to mission and technical implementation through a data-driven architecture

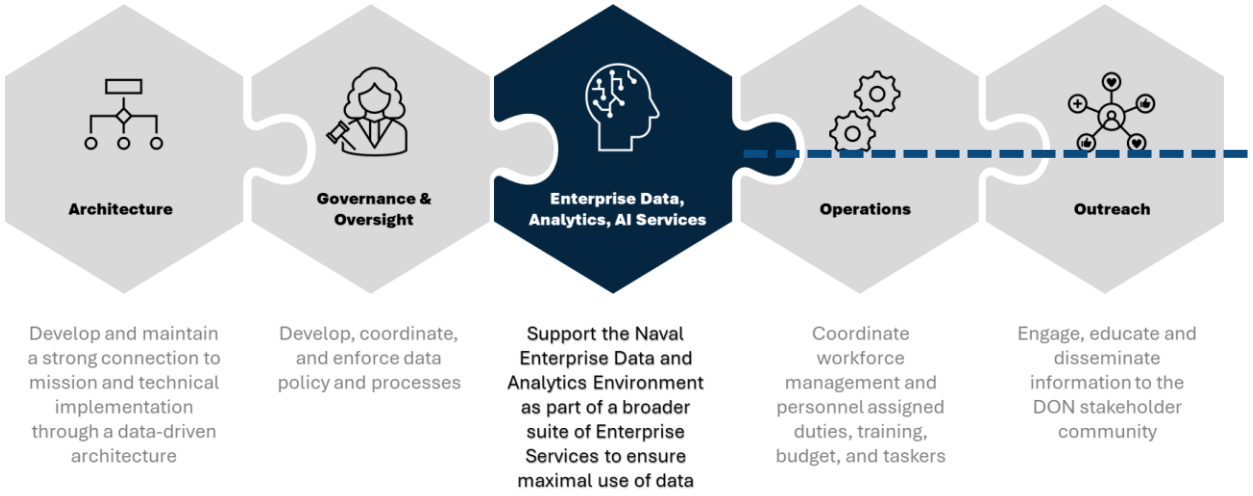
Develop, coordinate, and enforce data policy and processes

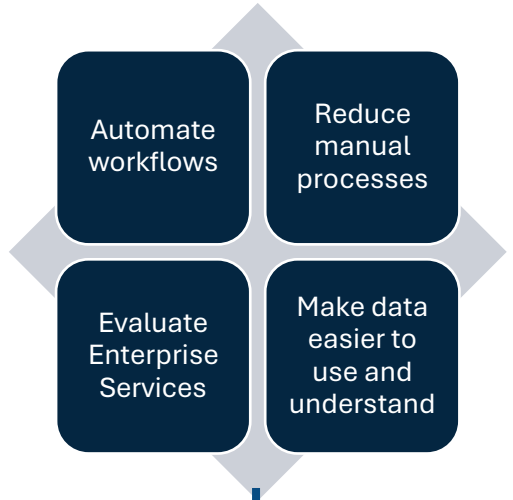
Support the Naval Enterprise Data and Analytics Environment as part of a broader suite of Enterprise Services to ensure maximal use of data

Coordinate workforce management and personnel assigned duties, training, budget, and taskers

Engage, educate and disseminate information to the DON stakeholder community

DON CDAO Automation Team

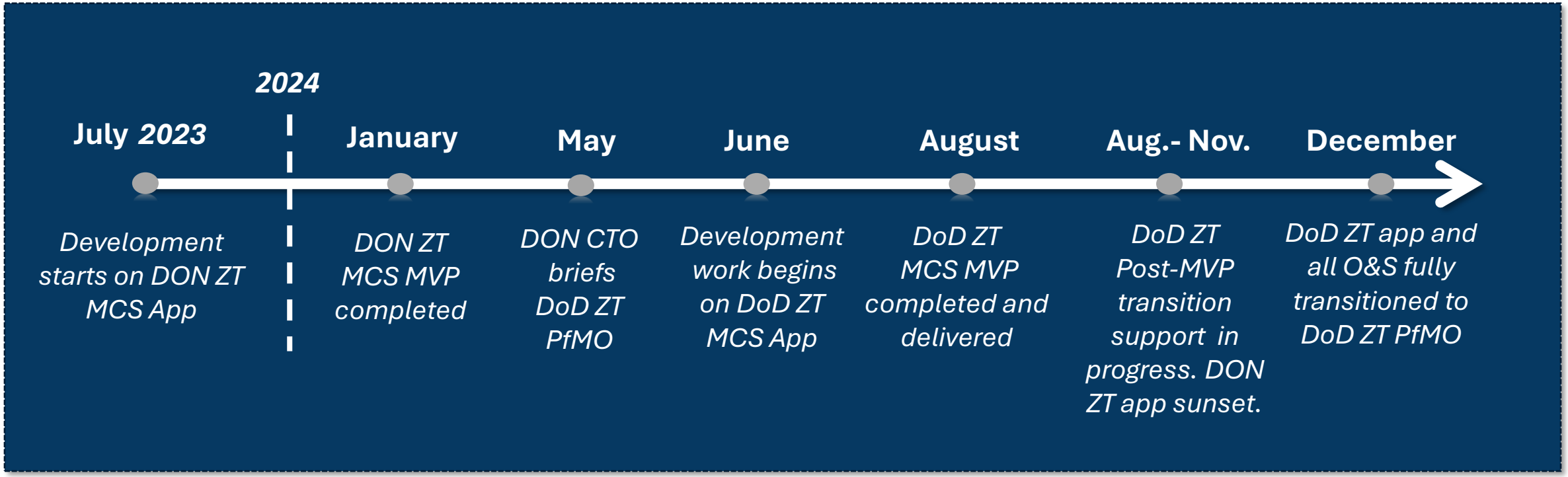




Automation Team Focus Areas

This effort presented a unique opportunity for the DON CDAO Automation Team to support overall DON ZT implementation objectives in coordination with DON CISO and DoD ZT PfMO

ZT MCS High-Level Development Timeline



DON Approach to Capturing ZT status

Approach

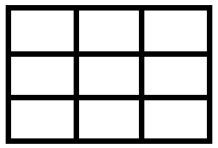
- Provide user-friendly web application with a SharePoint or database back-end
- Request the same information contained in the spreadsheets developed by DoD ZT PfMO
- Require quarterly responses / updates for the 91 Target level activities and 61 Advanced activities (if applicable)
- Create app that reduces manual inputs and provide visibility and real-time status updates to leadership via dashboards

Benefit

- **Allows Components to update on their schedule**
- **Provides method to track inheritance pathway between Parent and Child programs**
- **Captures previously entered information so organizations only need to update changes (deltas) after initial entry**
- **Provides a common data set that meets the reporting needs for multiple echelons**
- **Data can be visualized in real-time to show the DON's progress towards meeting the DoD Zero Trust deadline**

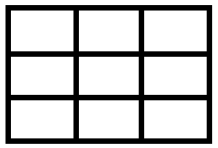
ZT-MCS Simplified Data Model

System



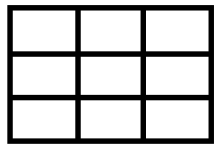
Capture Data: Users enter information about Network, Device, System, etc.

Status



Capture Data: Users enter Zero Trust information for each of the Activities

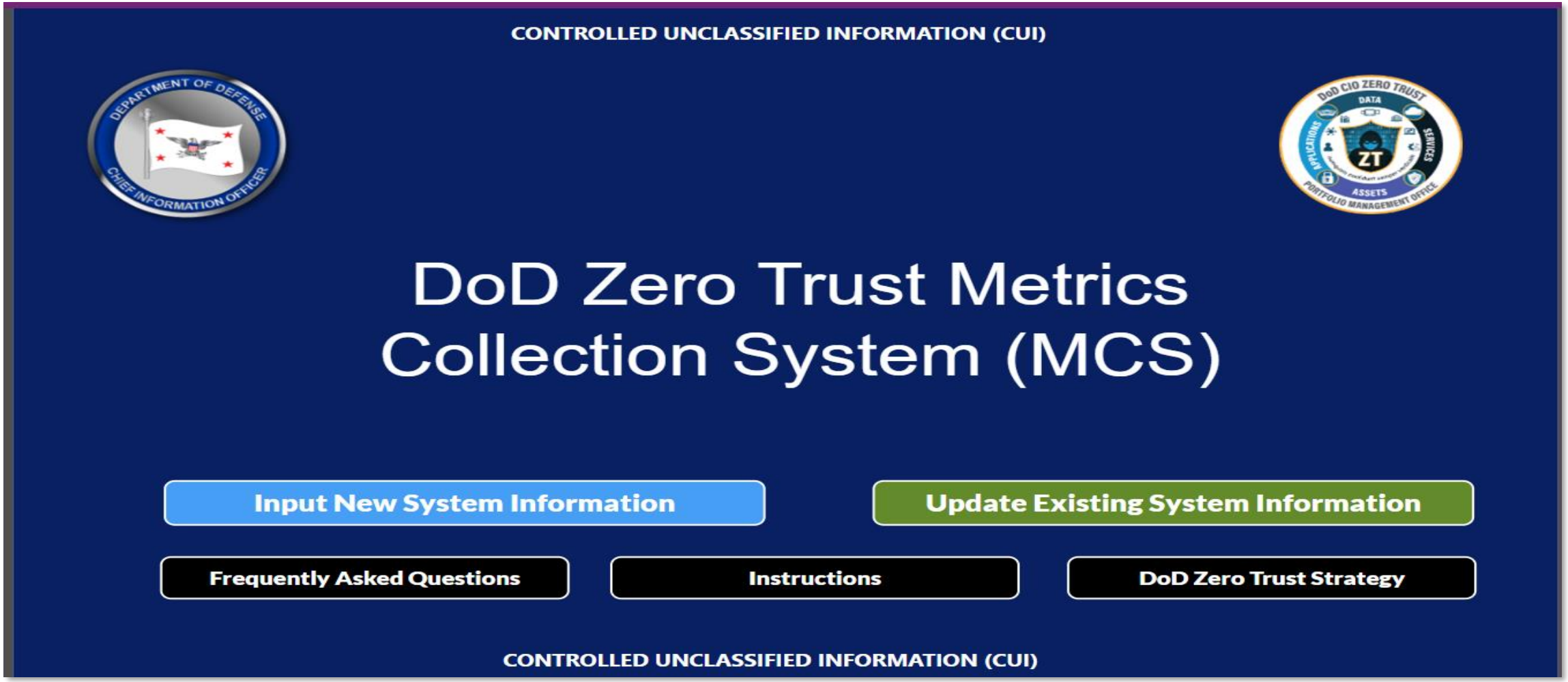
Activity



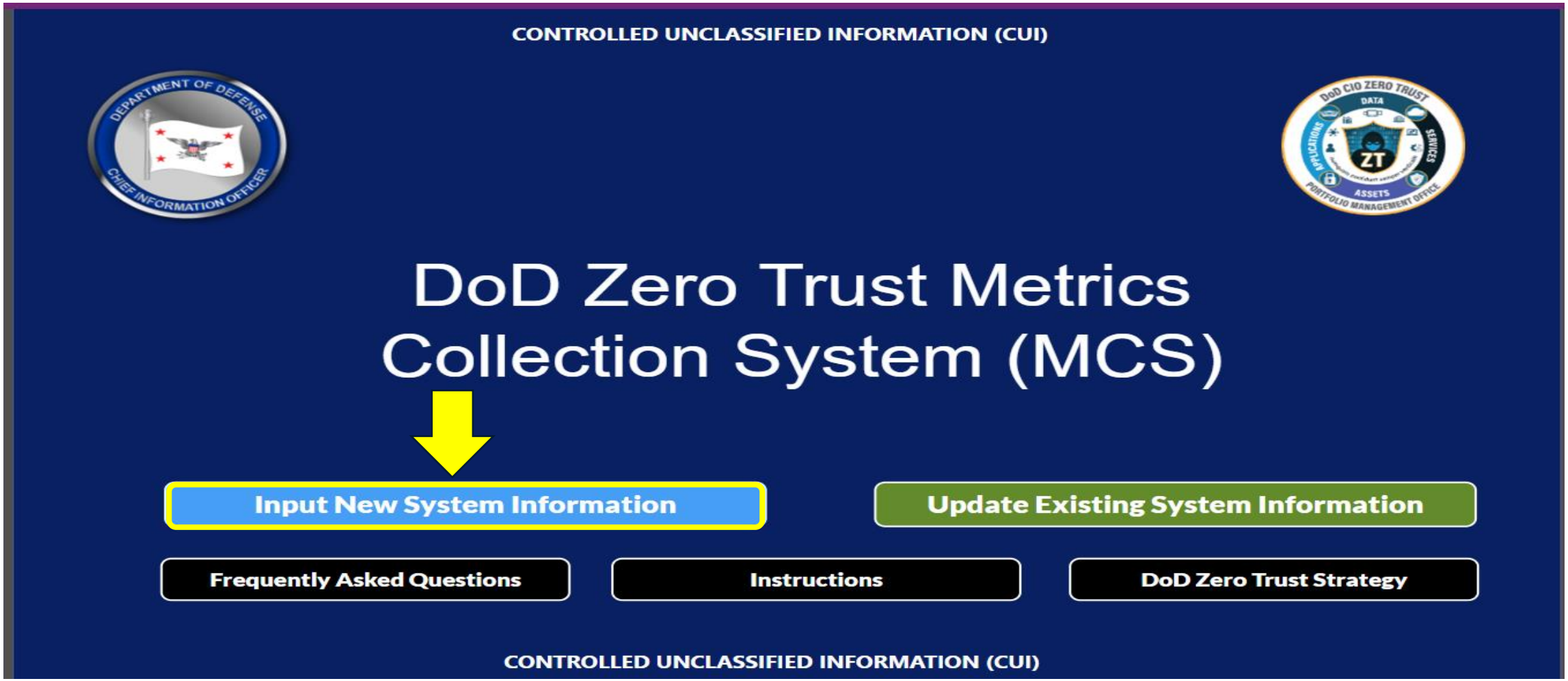
Lookup Data: Provides information about each Activity, including Phase, Pillar, Name, Desc.

Three SharePoint Lists operate as integrated data tables that power the ZT-MCS application

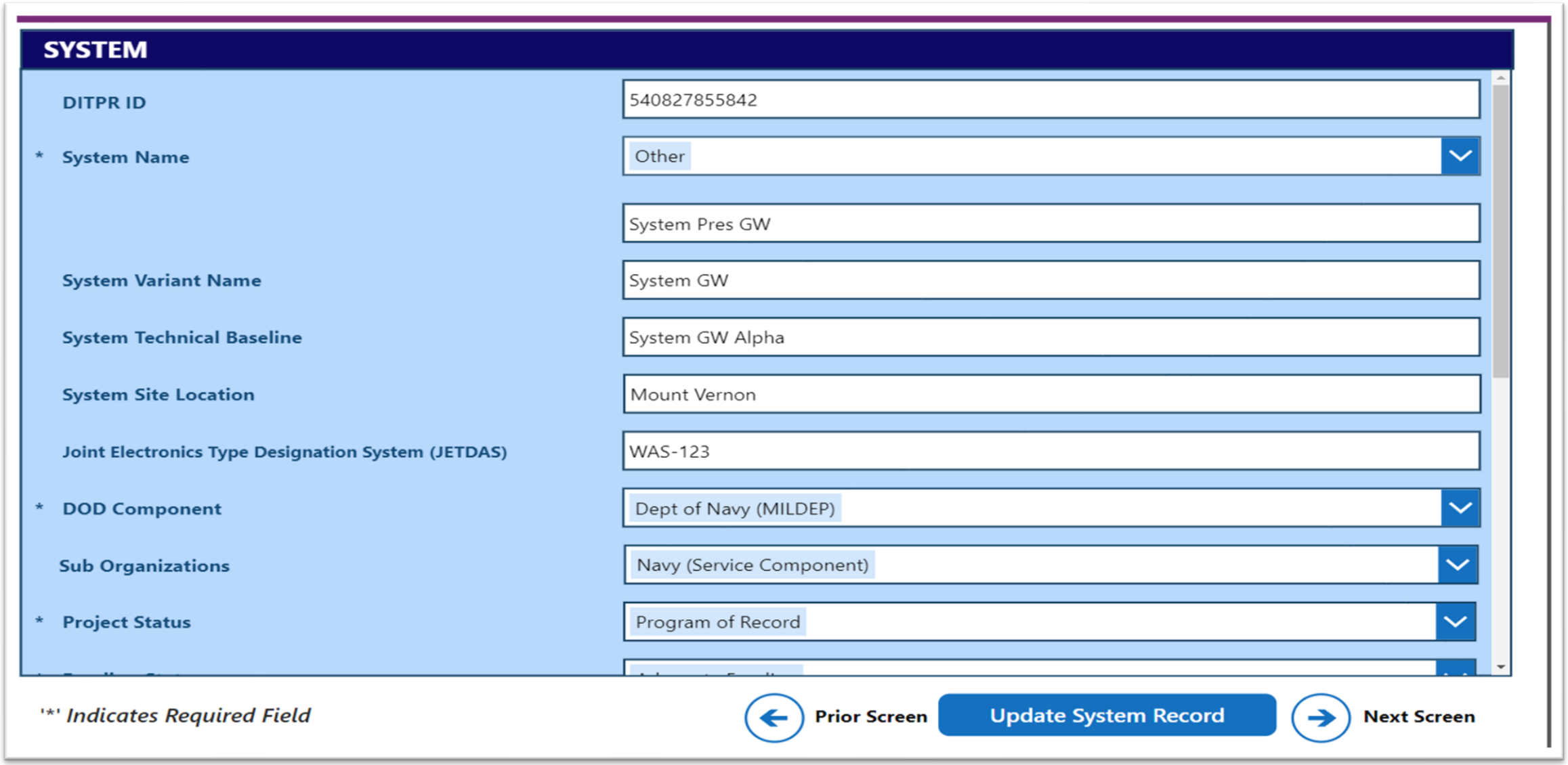
DON ZT MCS Overview



Input New System Information



System Screen



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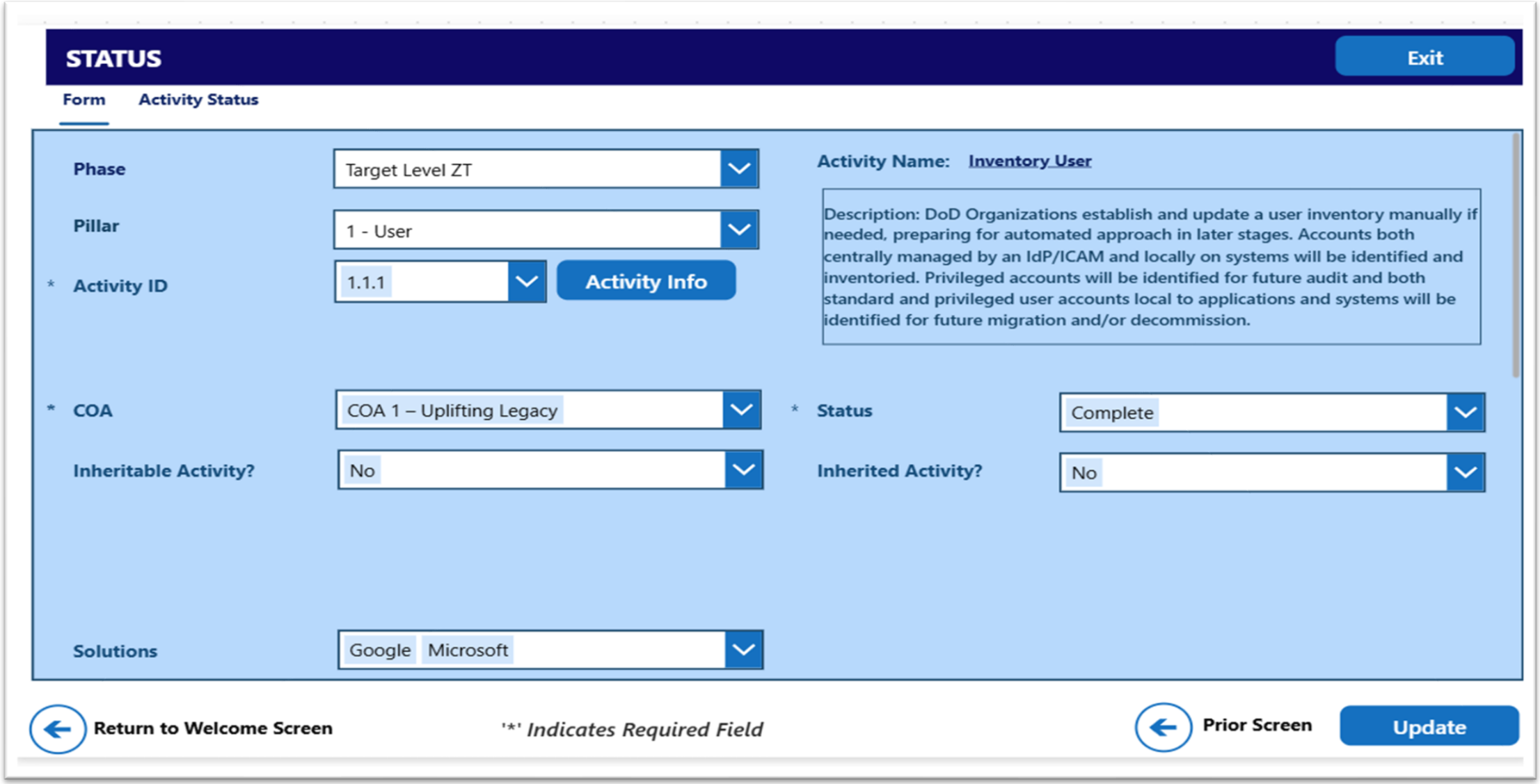

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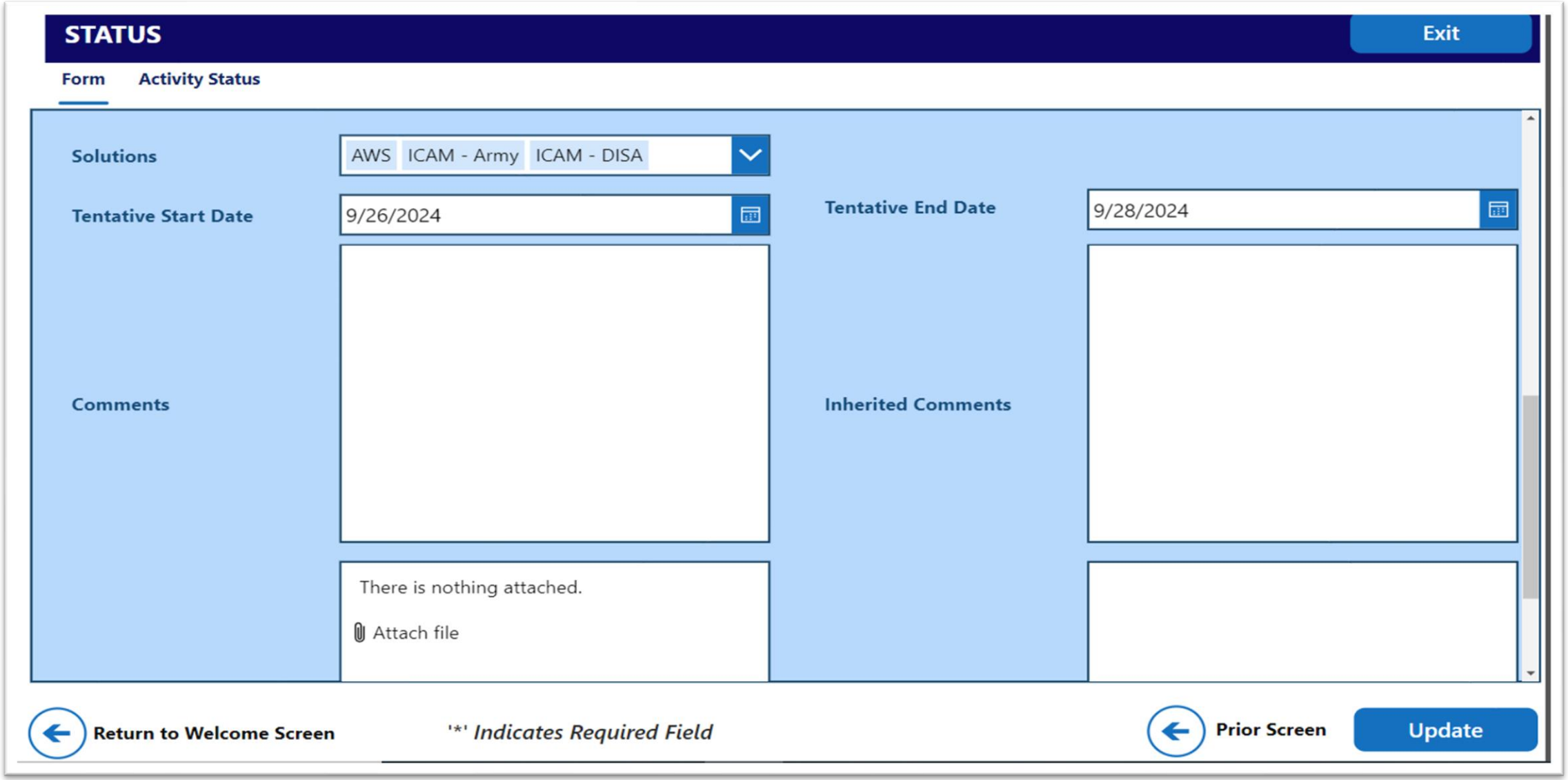
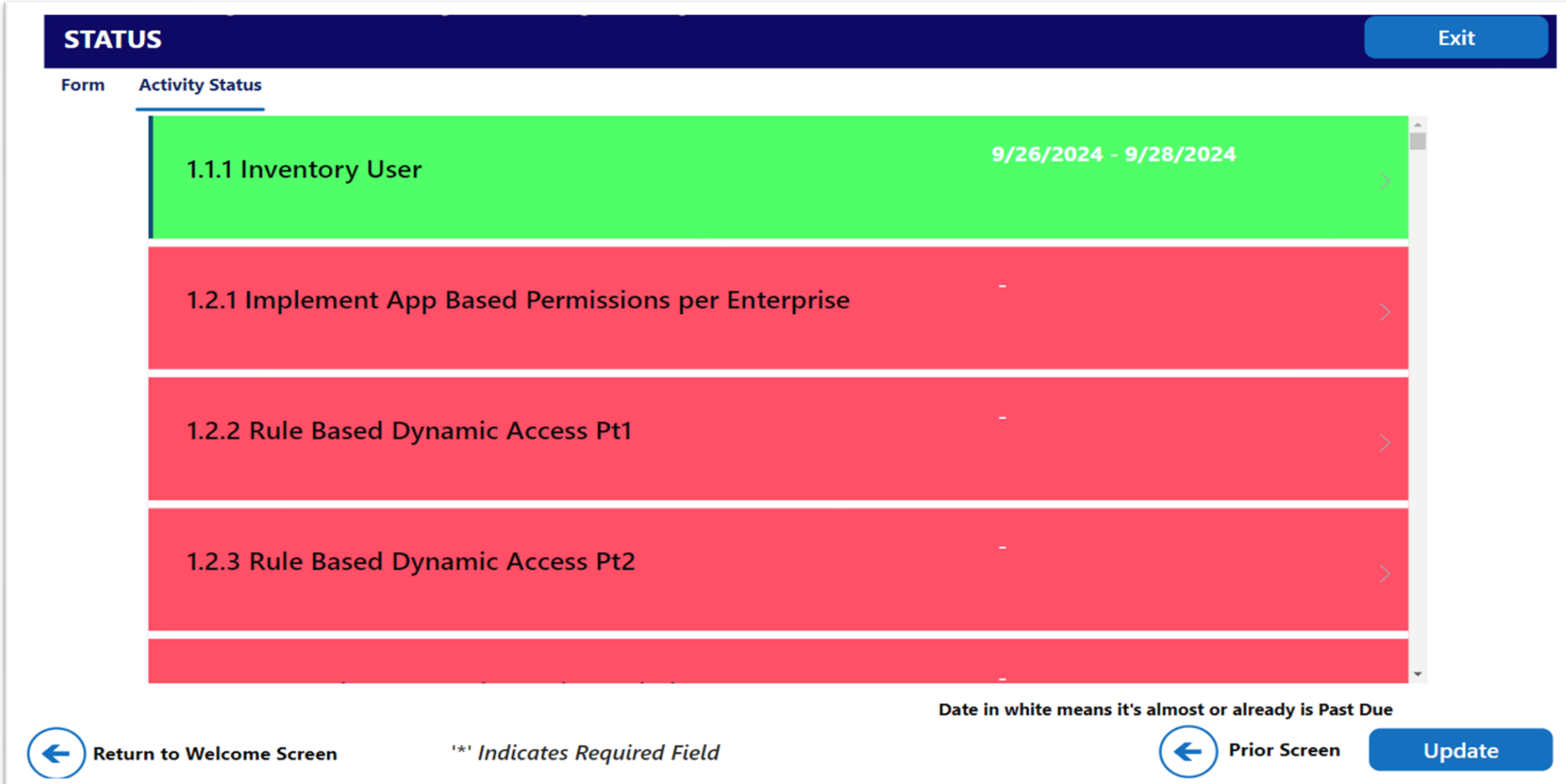


Activity Status Tracker



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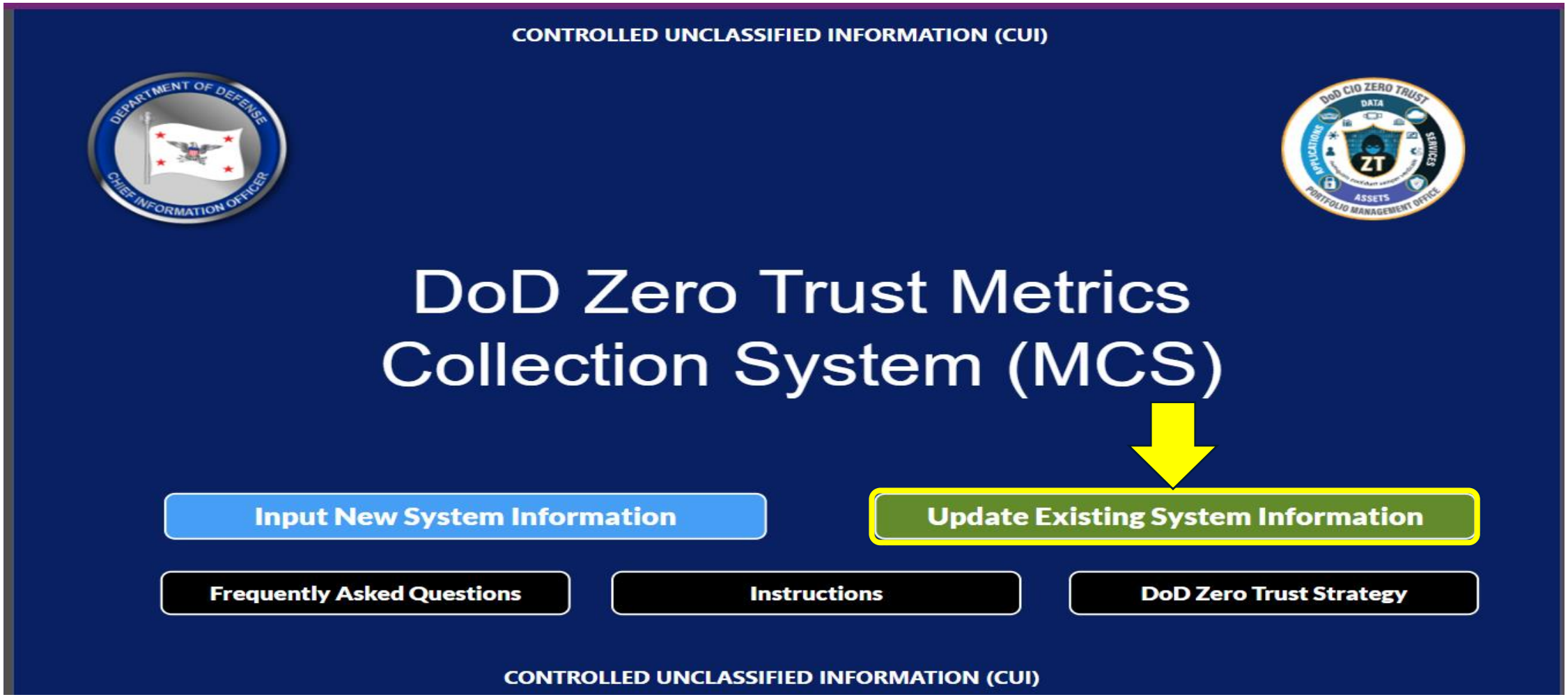
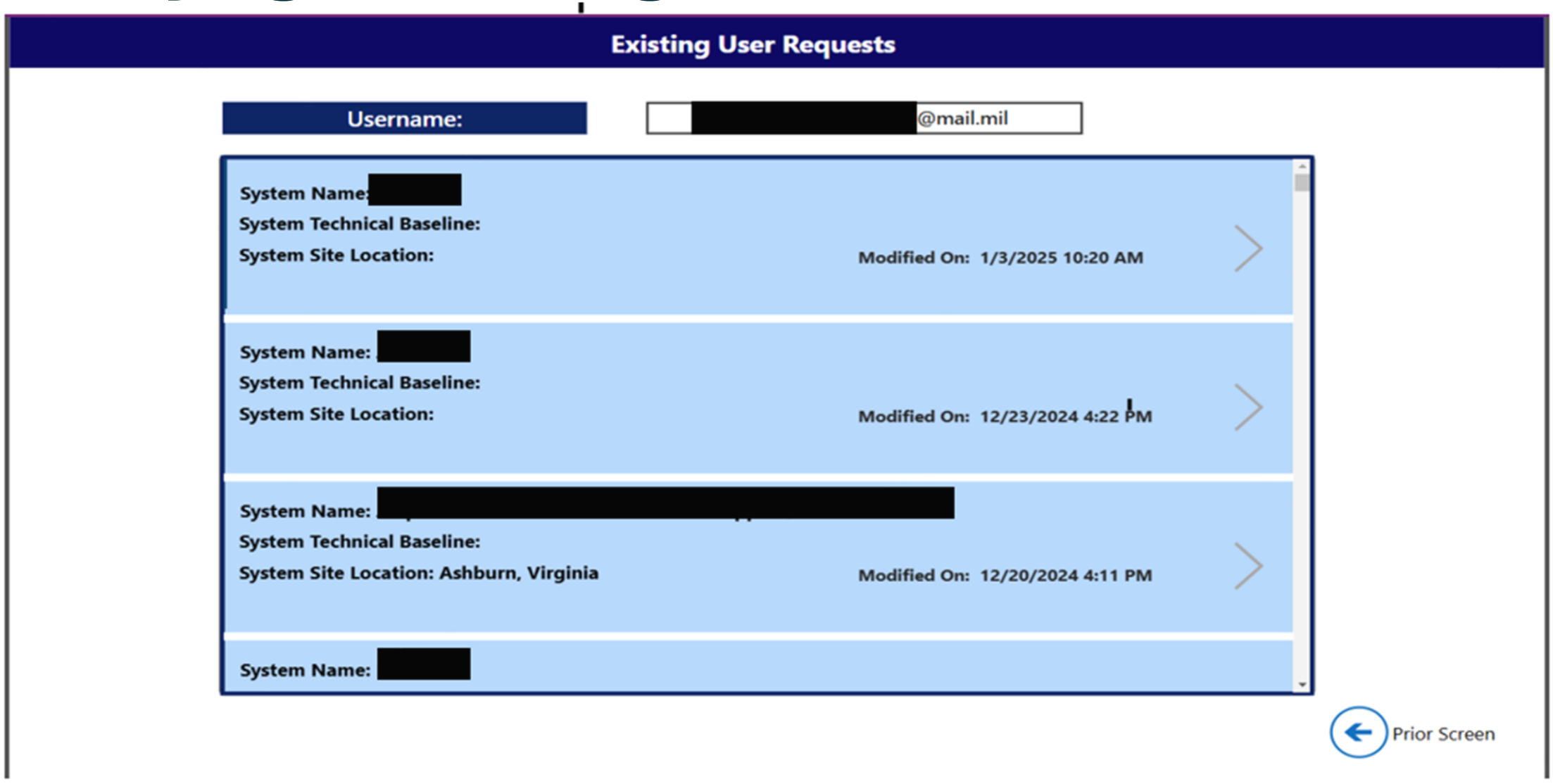


Modifying an Existing Record



Key Features and Takeaways

Speed

Six months to deliver an operational DON app and an additional four months for DoD development

Security

Information is stored in OSD DISA IL5 SharePoint, not viewable to other users and can be easily transferred to Advana

Low-Cost

Utilizes existing NIPR O365 capabilities with no additional needs for subscriptions or software

Low-Code

Easy-to-understand drop-downs / code that is easily portable and transferrable across teams and developers

Accessibility

Can be accessed by most DoD Components with a CAC

Insights

Dashboard visualizations provide insight into Component ZT progress, including status, courses of action, tools used, and inheritance

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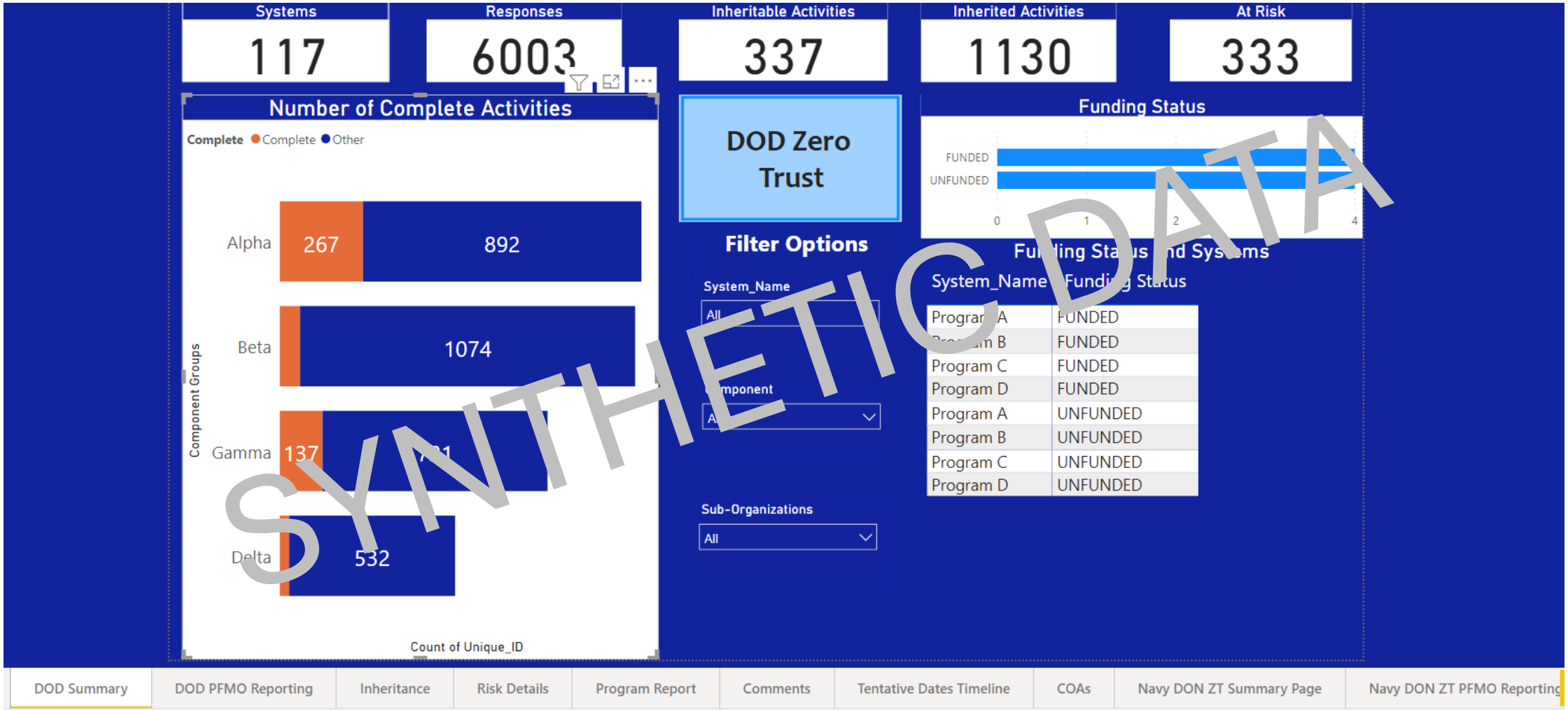
DON ZT MCS Dashboard

DoD ZT MCS Dashboard



Zero Trust Capabilities