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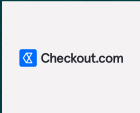
# Compliance as a Consequence:

Unlocking PCI to Empower Your Business



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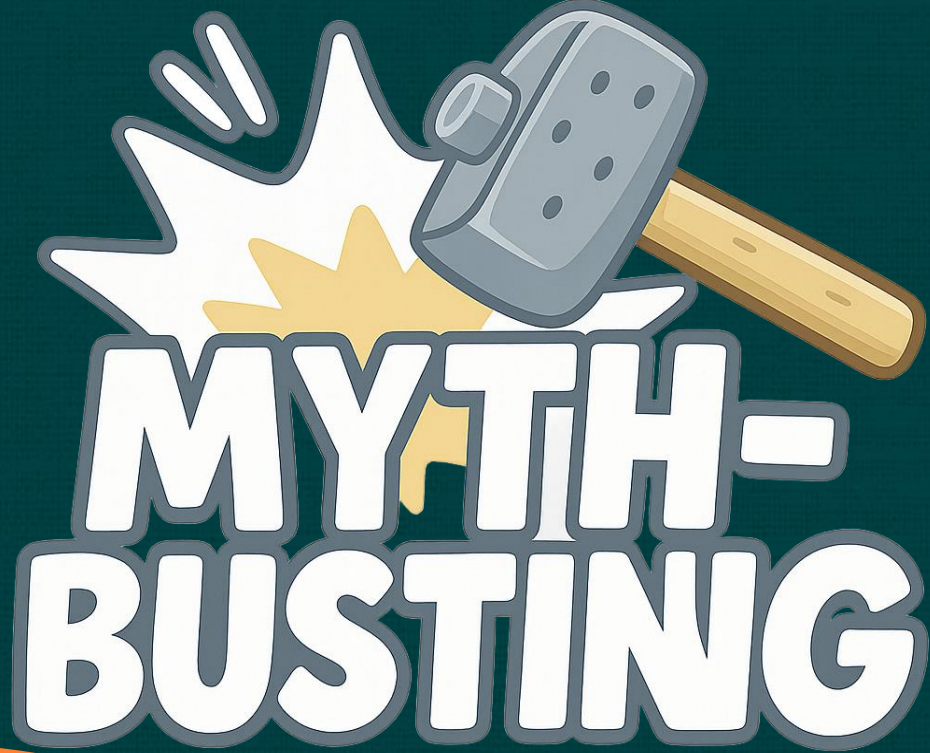
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# Myth-Busting: The Dangers of Checkbox Compliance

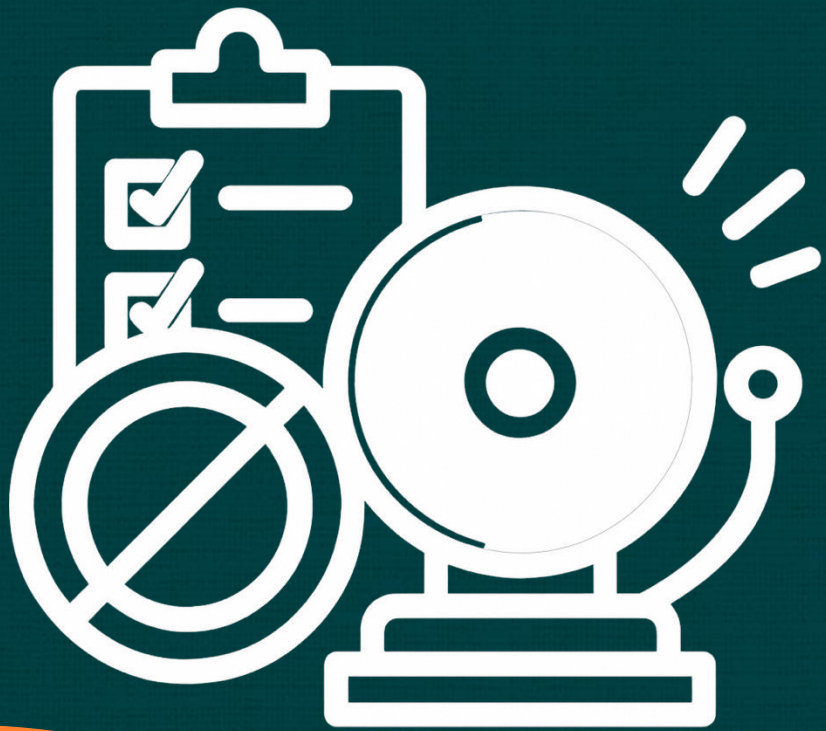
## ❑ Common Misconceptions:

- 'If we're compliant, we're protected.'
- 'Passing audits means we're secure.'

## ❑ Cost of Failure:

- Fintech A: Passed audit, breached 3 months later.
- Fintech B: Data leak due to overlooked internal process.

True security requires depth, not just compliance.



# Compliance ≠ Security

*"We live in a world where compliance is mandatory, but compliance alone won't keep us safe."*

- ❑ Cybercrime is projected to cost the world \$12.2 trillion annually by 2031.
- ❑ Compliance is baseline, not a safeguard.
- ❑ **Risk**: *Viewing InfoSec as a checkbox leaves blind spots.*

# InfoSec as Excellence

- ❑ **Define InfoSec Excellence:**
  - Proactive, integrated, cultural.
- ❑ **Why It Matters:**
  - Trust
  - Resilience
  - Competitive Advantage
- ❑ **Elevate the Bar:**
  - From necessary evil to strategic enabler.



# Core Principles of InfoSec Excellence

- ❑ Culture-First Mindset: Leadership sets the tone.
- ❑ Employee Empowerment: Awareness, responsibility, and vigilance.
- ❑ Continuous Adaptation: Risk landscapes evolve—so must we.



# Build InfoSec in Your Company's DNA

## ❑ Layered Defense:

- Network, endpoint, identity, data, user behavior.

## ❑ Key Programs:

- Security awareness training
- Incident response readiness
- Threat monitoring and hunting

## ❑ Empowered Teams:

- Cross-functional collaboration
- Shared accountability





# Leadership's Role in InfoSec Excellence

- ❑ **Ripple Effect:** Culture cascades from the top.
  
- ❑ **Invest in Talent:** Hire, nurture, retain top security professionals.
  
- ❑ **Accountability:**
  - KPIs: Phishing click rates, patching timelines, time to detect/respond.

# Case Study: From Compliance to Culture



- ❑ Initial State: Audit-driven, low awareness.
- ❑ Transformation:
  - Security built into onboarding
  - Quarterly training gamified
  - Transparent metrics reported to leadership
- ❑ Outcomes:
  - 40% reduction in incidents
  - 2x faster response times
  - 95% employee engagement in security programs

# The Psychology of Security Behavior

- Understanding Motivation: Fear-based training vs. purpose-driven engagement.
- Triggering Ownership: How we aligned security with personal accountability.



# Balancing Speed and Security in Product Delivery



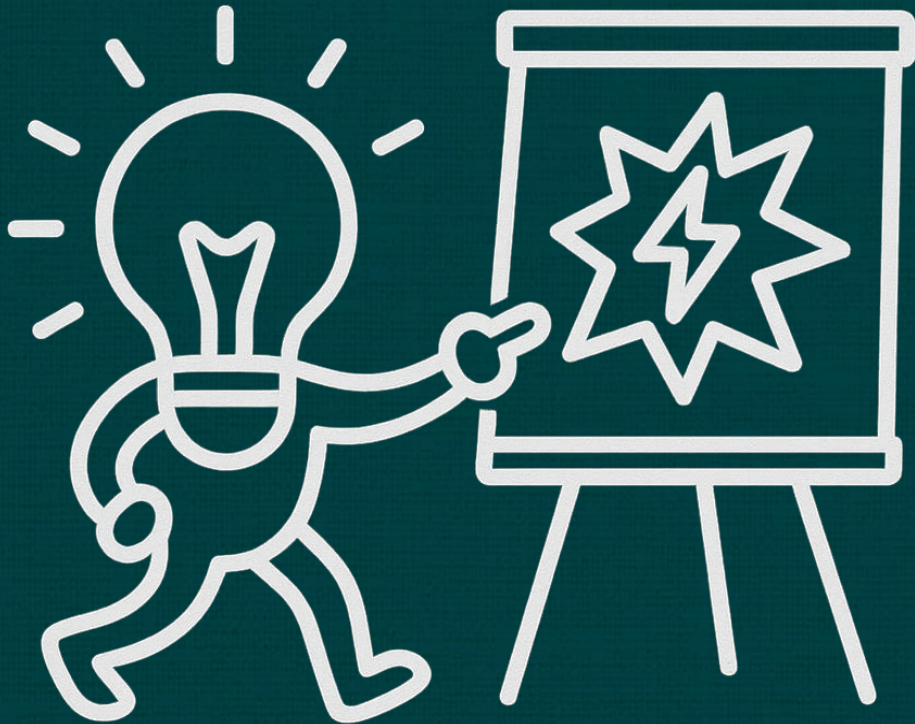
- ❑ **Myth:** Security slows you down.
- ❑ **Reality:** Integrated security accelerates delivery.
- ❑ **Practice:** Secure SDLC, threat modeling sprints, security in PR reviews.

# Cross-Functional Collaboration Wins

- ❑ **Bridging Gaps:** Embedded security roles in engineering and product.
- ❑ **Co-ownership of Risk:** Security metrics in team dashboards.
- ❑ **Examples:** Co-led incident simulations, joint backlog prioritization.



# Lessons from Incidents



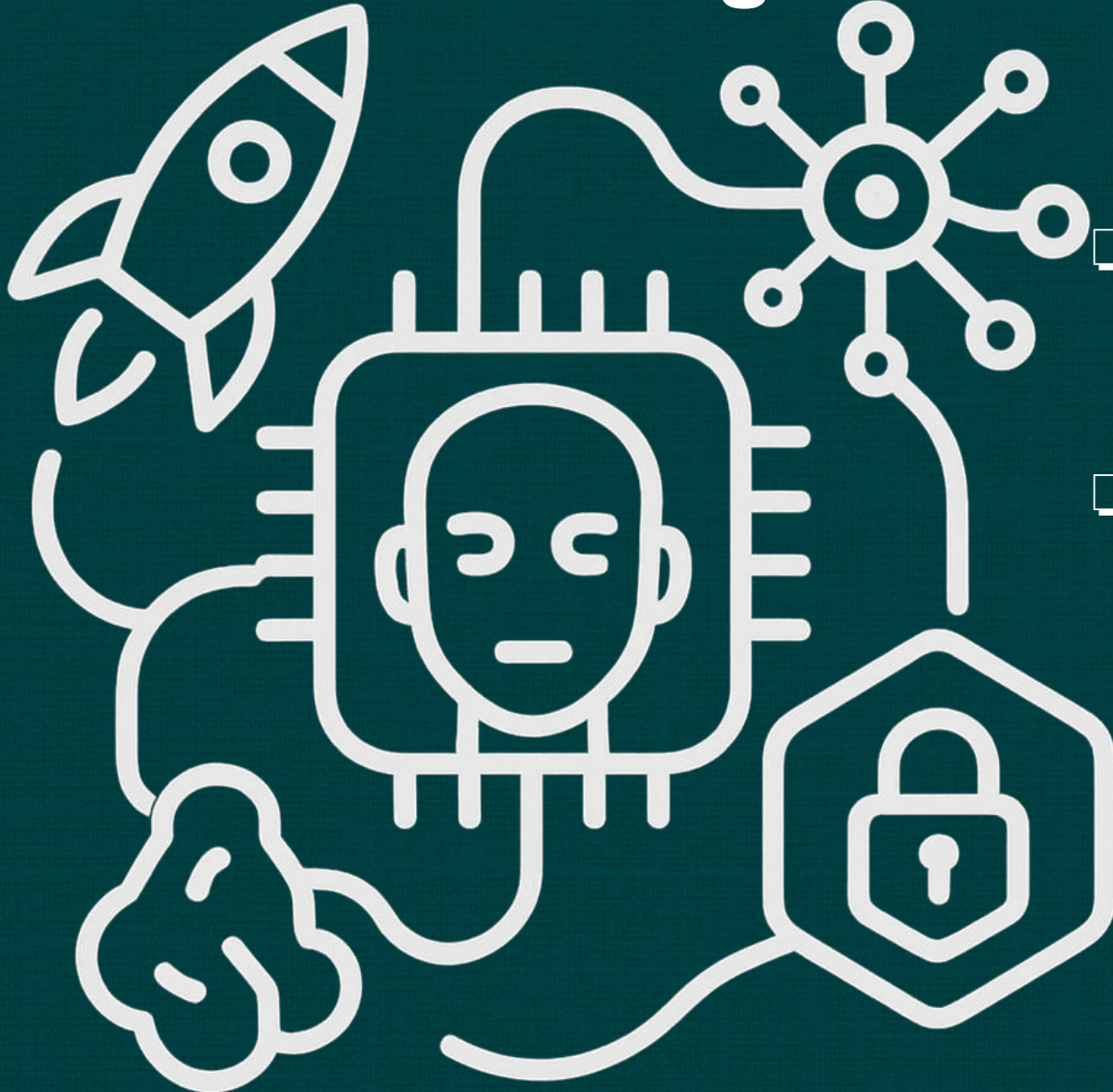
- ❑ **Learning Culture:** From blame to blameless postmortems.
- ❑ **Visibility:** Sharing near misses as learning moments.
- ❑ **Change:** Incident response drills, public RCA reviews.

# Metrics That Matter



- ❑ **Shift:** From check-the-box stats to behavior-driven metrics.
- ❑ **Sample KPIs:**
  - ❑ Time-to-detect and time-to-contain incidents
  - ❑ Phishing simulation reporting rate
  - ❑ Patch velocity across environments

# Securing AI and Emerging Tech



- ❑ **Emerging Risks:** AI hallucinations, prompt injection, model theft.
- ❑ **Approach:** Guardrails for development, shadow AI scanning, AI governance council.

# Training That Sticks

- ❑ **Fail Fast, Learn Fast:** From theoretical to experiential learning.
- ❑ **Tools:** Gamified phishing campaigns, red team “capture the flag” days.



# Sustaining The Momentum



- ❑ **Beyond the Audit:** Maintaining energy year-round.
- ❑ **Practices:** Quarterly themes (e.g., “Spring Clean Your Access”), recognition programs

# Benefits Beyond Compliance

- ❑ Risk Mitigation:
  - Predictive threat modeling
  - Faster containment
- ❑ Brand Trust:
  - Market differentiation
  - Regulatory goodwill
- ❑ Competitive Edge:
  - Preferred partner status
  - Leadership in security innovation



**RISK  
REDUCTION**



**TRUST**



**COMPETITIVE  
ADVANTAGE**

# Final Thoughts

- ❑ Conclusion: "Compliance is the floor, not the ceiling. Our goal is excellence."
- ❑ Call to Action:
  - Rethink InfoSec as an enabler
  - Foster continuous improvement
- ❑ What's next: Let's share, challenge, and learn from each other.

