

HITRUST Results Distribution System[™]

Removes Barriers to Leveraging Information Security Assurance Results

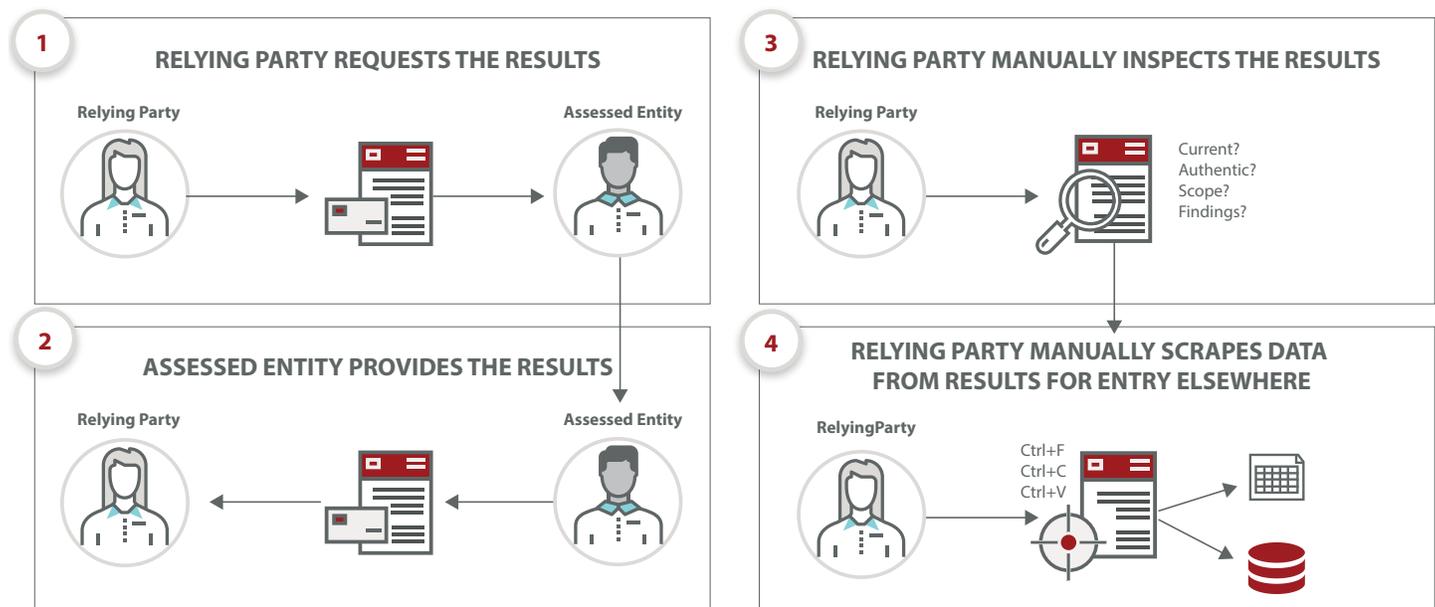
Allows Analysts to Manage Vendor Risk More Efficiently by Transforming Outdated Processes

The current system of sharing and managing third-party information assurance results is obsolete — it's highly inefficient, time-consuming, and negatively impacts an organization's ability to effectively manage third-party risk. Today, third-party security and privacy results are most often delivered to the assessed entity in a PDF format, which they then pass along to their business partners and stakeholders. These PDFs are often hundreds of pages long, non-interactive, and password-protected, making it difficult for relying parties to find and use the information they need. The entire process is outdated, labor-intensive, and duplicative.

Addresses the Challenges Facing TPRM Professionals

Along with the time required to chase down vendors, Risk Managers face the mundane tasks of locating, reviewing, and entering assessment data into tracking spreadsheets and TPRM systems. That means Risk Management teams are devoting enormous resources to inefficient processes that use up time they could otherwise spend on higher value activities that better monitor their vendor populations. In addition, this makeshift approach often misses key information and makes it difficult (if not impossible) to effectively identify and manage risk. Most organizations repeat these inefficient procedures annually for each vendor.

Today's Third-Party Assurance (TPA) Results-Sharing Ecosystem is Complex and Time-Consuming



Multiple Things Can Go Wrong When Using PDFs and Email Exchanges:

- Users have difficulty navigating, understanding, and analyzing results
- Results can be out-of-date, incomplete, or inaccurate
- Results can be directed to the wrong recipients with no visibility into who receives or opens the PDFs
- TPRM managers are required to manually transfer data into spreadsheets, Vendor Risk Management (VRM) tools, and Governance Risk Compliance (GRC) systems
- It usually requires a minimum of 1-2 hours per report to find and enter the most basic elements

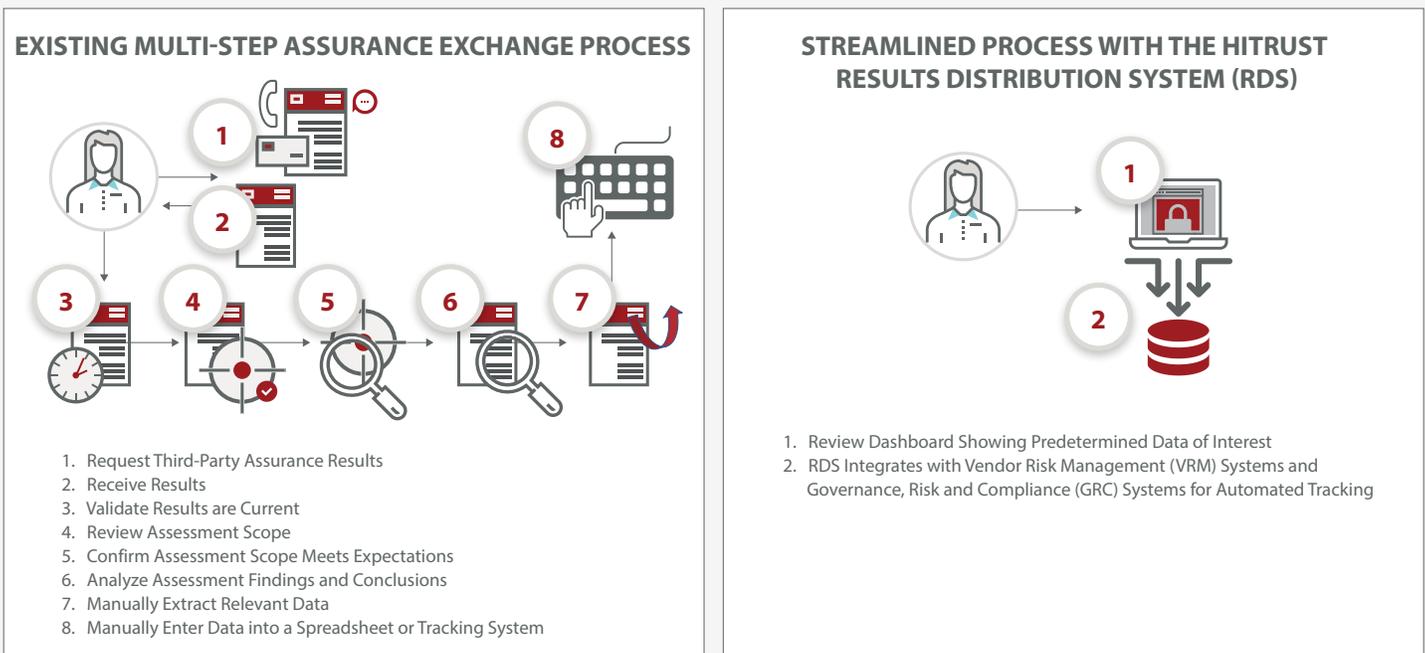
New HITRUST Results Distribution System (RDS) Transforms Sharing, Reviewing, and Analyzing Assessment Results

RDS Uses HITRUST Innovation to Simplify Assurance Results Management

As the industry leader in delivering high-quality, highly reliable assessment results, RDS is another example of HITRUST innovation designed to increase efficiency and improve the user experience. RDS makes it possible for assessed entities to share results from their HITRUST Assessments securely and electronically with any relying party. Those recipients can then manage and review essential information – such as assessment date, scope, control requirements, scores, and corrective action plans – through the RDS portal or their own TPRM solution.

This automation adds efficiency and saves time by eliminating the multiple back-and-forth communications that are common between parties during the annual vendor review process. Whether relying parties manage hundreds or thousands of vendors, RDS delivers game-changing innovation and efficiencies, which allows TPRM Managers to spend their valuable time on more strategic tasks that lead to stronger risk management success for their organization.

HITRUST RDS Unleashes Analytics to Improve Decision-Making and Reduce Vendor Risk



- **Shares assessment results more efficiently:** No more delays or huge PDF files
- **Provides a centralized online repository:** Improves data access, security, and storage
- **Unlocks the power of analytics:** Locates and extracts key information faster so TPRM managers have all the data they need
- **Enhances value of assurance reports:** Helps automate TPRM and vendor management activities, including ongoing tracking for Corrective Action Plans (CAPs) and gaps
- **Reduces third-party risk:** Customized dashboards and better analytic options improve vendor monitoring and enhance decision-making
- **Adds performance insights:** Offers dynamic tools to analyze continuous performance, not just check a box that a report was delivered
- **Reduces cost of doing business:** Cuts labor expenses by saving the time-and-effort needed to manage risk for each supply chain vendor, including service providers
- **Interfaces directly with TPRM systems:** API integration allows organizations with VRM/GRC solutions to fully leverage assurance results (coming second half of 2022)

What You Need to Know about the HITRUST Results Distribution System

Assessed Entities

RDS delivers a powerful competitive advantage because it more quickly and effectively shows business partners, customers, prospects, and other stakeholders the maturity of an organization's information protection program(s).

- Can designate which assessments are viewable by which relying parties, providing better alignment of assessment-sharing with service offerings
- Results are in a standardized format so they can be shared more easily and be used by multiple internal and external stakeholders
- Can share results from the full portfolio of HITRUST Assessments, including:
 - HITRUST Basic, Current-State (bC) Self-assessment
 - HITRUST Implemented, 1-year (i1) Readiness and Validated Assessments
 - HITRUST Risk-based, 2-year (r2) Readiness, Validated, Interim, and Bridge Assessments

Relying Parties

RDS improves all aspects of third-party risk management by sharing assessment results with relying parties through a secure online portal or API and enabling analytics not available with PDF reports.

- Customized dashboards allow formatting and viewing the precise results needed, including the type of HITRUST Assessment, scope, aggregate scores, Corrective Action Plans (CAPs), and specific control scores
- Can take advantage of API integration with GRC and TPRM/VRM systems to electronically consume assessment results
- When multiple vendors share HITRUST assurances with a relying party, RDS provides results in a consistent, centralized approach which enables greater efficiency and collaboration across the HITRUST ecosystem
- Advanced analytic options identify vendor population trends and help isolate and remediate risk more effectively

Cost

- RDS Standard is a value-added service available with all HITRUST MyCSF® subscription levels
- Assessed entities can send their HITRUST Validated Assessment results to relying parties at no cost and relying parties can access these results at no cost
- Optional enhanced functionality, including advanced analytics and API integration, will be available in RDS for an additional cost (coming second half of 2022)

Is RDS Required

- Use of the RDS isn't mandatory, and its usage requires opt-in by the assessed entity
- Those who don't opt-in to RDS can still receive results and certification letters in PDF format
- HITRUST believes that vendors and service providers will want to actively use RDS so they can be more responsive to requests from customers who need supplier information security assurances

"For third-party risk management systems to achieve their full potential in helping organizations manage their vendor risk, assessment results need to be electronically shared and consumed. The HITRUST Results Distribution System is a big step in making that possible and will be a strong complement to our focus on vendor interaction through Archer Engage."

Jeremy Fisher, Vice President of Product at Archer

A New Day, a Better Way to Manage Assurance Results

Because HITRUST has a centralized assurance program and issues 100% of HITRUST assessment results, we are uniquely positioned to offer assessed entities and the relying parties they designate a stronger alternative for sharing and using assurance results. Integrating RDS into our entire ecosystem benefits the HITRUST community of users by removing complexity, adding automation, and streamlining the assurance management process.

Unique HITRUST Results Distribution System Enables Sharing, Reporting, and Analytics

RDS Standard™

Creates an account that allows users to view HITRUST Assessment results in a preset view and share the results at no additional cost.

RDS Standard: Features and Functionalities

- Provides access for up to 2 users
- Assessed entities can send an invitation to any recipient to view HITRUST Assessment results
- Access to four standard default widgets
 - Full Assessment Breakdown
 - Domain Breakdown
 - Domain Specific Requirements Breakdown
 - All Failed Requirements
- Users can export widget view(s) in a PDF

RDS Standard is only the beginning...

To further enhance efficiency and leverage analytics, in the second half of 2022, HITRUST will begin offering RDS subscription packages that include advanced analytics and added API options. These high-performance RDS upgrades will include: Configurable dashboards, advanced analytics tools, on-demanding reporting, monitoring notifications, API integration into VRM/GRC systems, and more. Instead of building out additional capabilities on their own, relying organizations can use HITRUST automation and analytics to enhance vendor management activities.

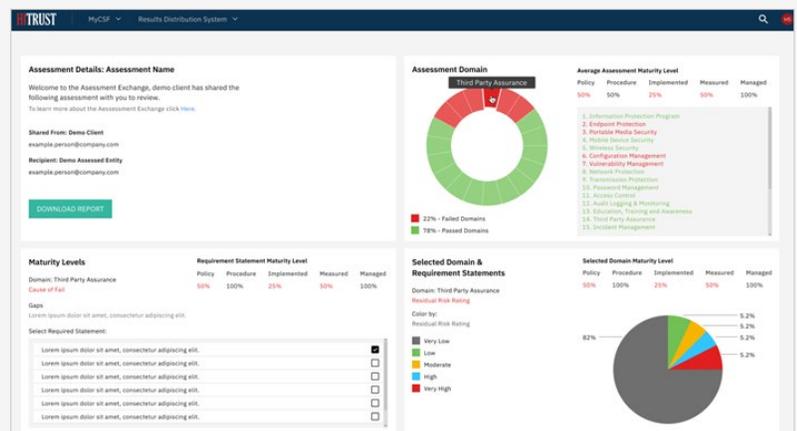


HITRUST RDS: Transformative Technology

Driven by forward-looking digital technologies, RDS delivers an innovative way to manage assurance results. Think back to a familiar example of another labor-intensive process that has been replaced with a fresh approach.

Not so long ago, drivers paid for toll roads with stacks of coins in their cars. Or, they were forced to come to a complete stop and work with toll-takers in cramped booths to make change. Additional steps required crews to empty machines periodically and sort, count, and process the massive amounts of change collected every day. Even though this approach to managing tolls was extremely inefficient, everyone accepted that was how things were done.

Along came the automated toll tag system, which soon became a "lane-changer" to add efficiency and save time. Now that there is a better way, no one wants to go back to tossing bulky coins into toll machines. In like fashion, once users experience the benefits of RDS, they won't want to exchange and handle clunky PDF reports anymore.



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