

# Third Party Risk Management

Best Practices for an Effective & Efficient Program





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## Third-Party Risk Management Automation:

- Onboarding
- Due Diligence
- Ongoing Monitoring
- On-Site Control Assessments
- Performance Management
- Contract Reviews
- Service-Level Agreements
- Issue Management

2003

Founded

HQ

Concord, MA

99.9%

System Uptime  
10+ Years

94.8%

Customer  
Retention Rate

Third-Party Risk  
Management  
**SIMPLIFIED**



# Today's Agenda

- TPRM: Getting Grounded
- Program Building Blocks: Onboarding & Ongoing Monitoring
- Inherent Risk Best Practices
- Residual Risk & Review Cadences
- Getting Outside Help: External Content & Managed Services
- Assessing Your Program's Maturity & Identifying Steps to Improve

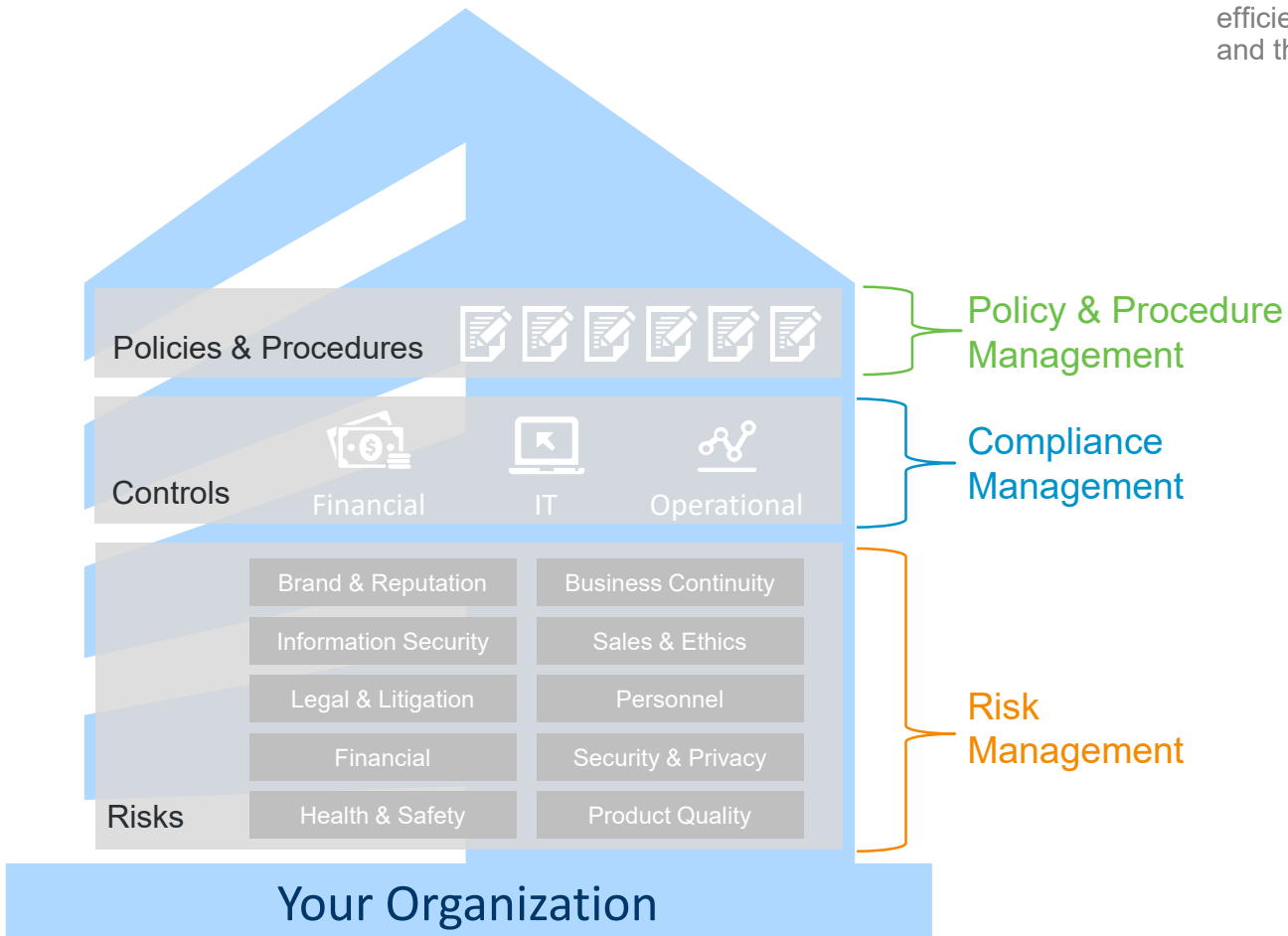


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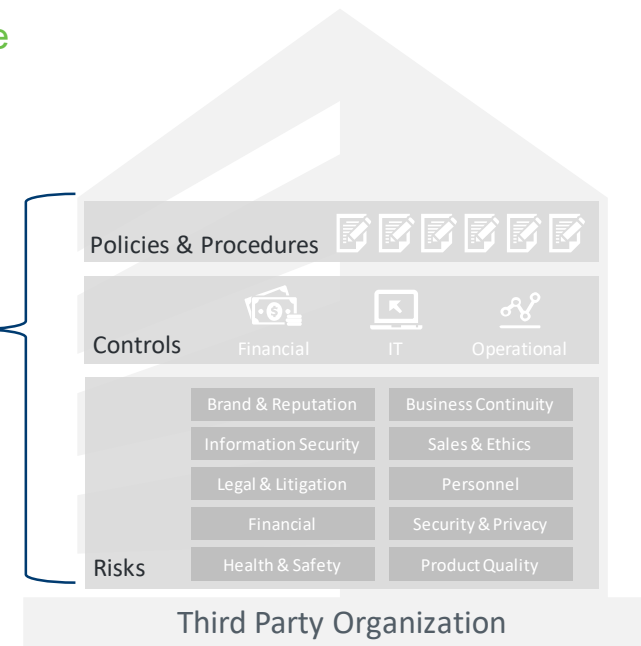
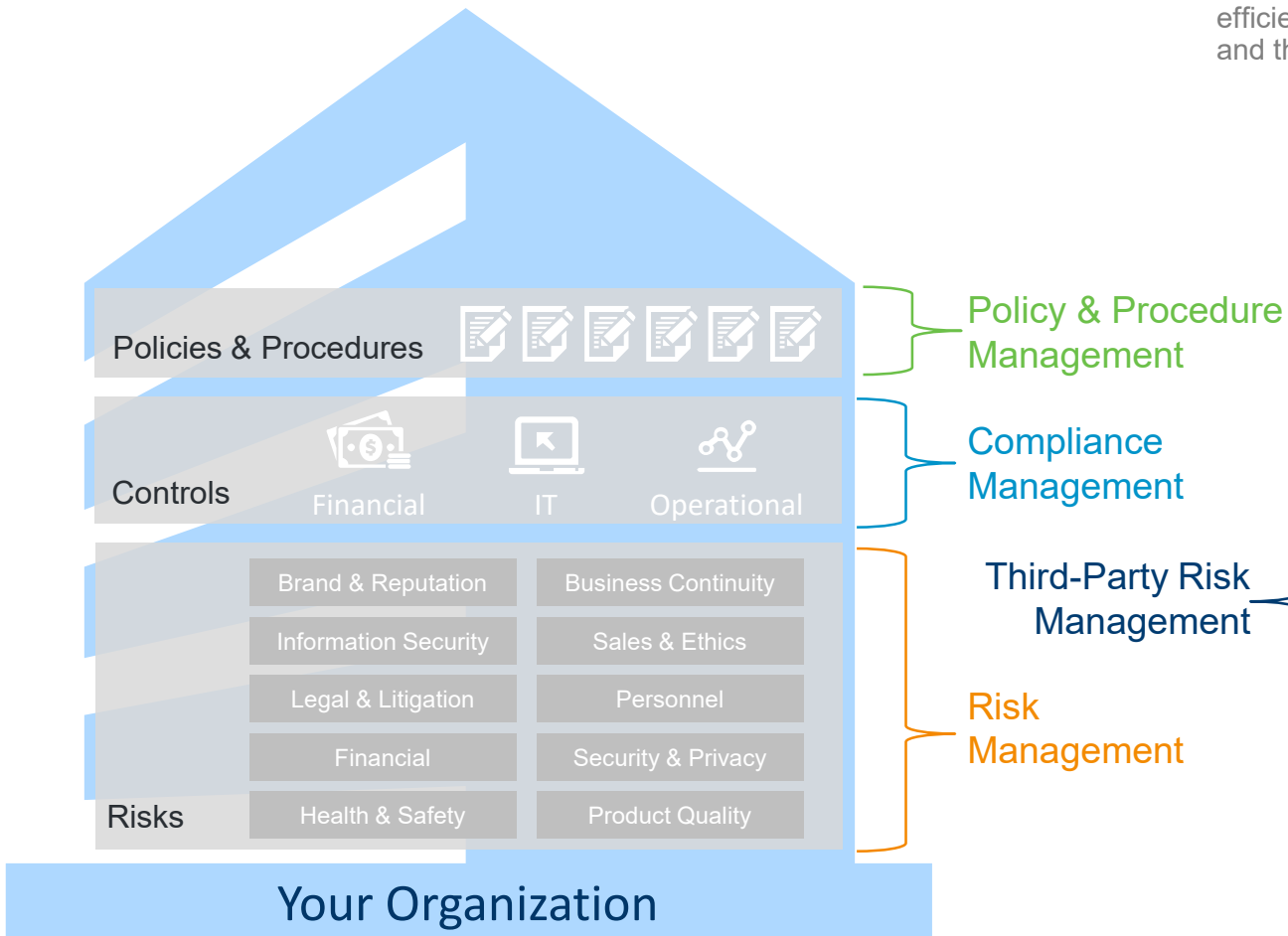
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*People don't do what you  
**expect** but what you  
**inspect.***

- Louis V. Gerstner Jr.

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# The Third-Party Risk Lifecycle



## Onboarding

Establish an enterprise-wide process



## Due Diligence

Enforce objectivity within your vendor process



## Ongoing Monitoring

Streamline processes while reducing errors



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Systematically conduct and document



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Manage with consistency



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Create a unified process



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# The Third-Party Risk Lifecycle

How Can You Assess More Vendors, More Thoroughly... in Less Time...



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...So Your Team Can Spend More Time Reducing Risk and Generating ROI.



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# A Few of the Challenges Organizations Face Today

## Identifying / Grouping Critical Vendor by Risk Tier

- Who are our critical outsourced third-parties?
- What services are they providing?
- Where are they located?
- How do we risk-tier our vendor database?

## Establishing a Framework / Process for Internal & External Review

- How do we ensure adoption and compliance across the organization?
- How can we improve vendor responsiveness / reduce fatigue?
- How do we improve executive support / communication?

## Storing Supporting Documentation

- How and when do we reassess third parties?
- How do we organize the data from our vendor population?

## Determining Which Fourth (Fifth?) Parties to Assess

- Which vendors are using fourth parties to deliver services?
- How far down the chain do we have to go to feel secure?

# It's Not Going to Get Easier

- More third-parties (and fourth-parties)
- More / new / different threats
- Evolving regulations (EBA, GDPR, CCPA, FCA, PCI, HIPAA, DPA)
- Vendors are buckling under the load

# Program Building Blocks

# Building Blocks: Base Processes & Flows

## Onboarding Workflow

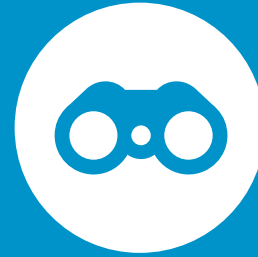


**INHERENT RISK  
ASSESSMENT**



**DUE DILIGENCE  
ASSESSMENT**

## Ongoing Monitoring Workflow



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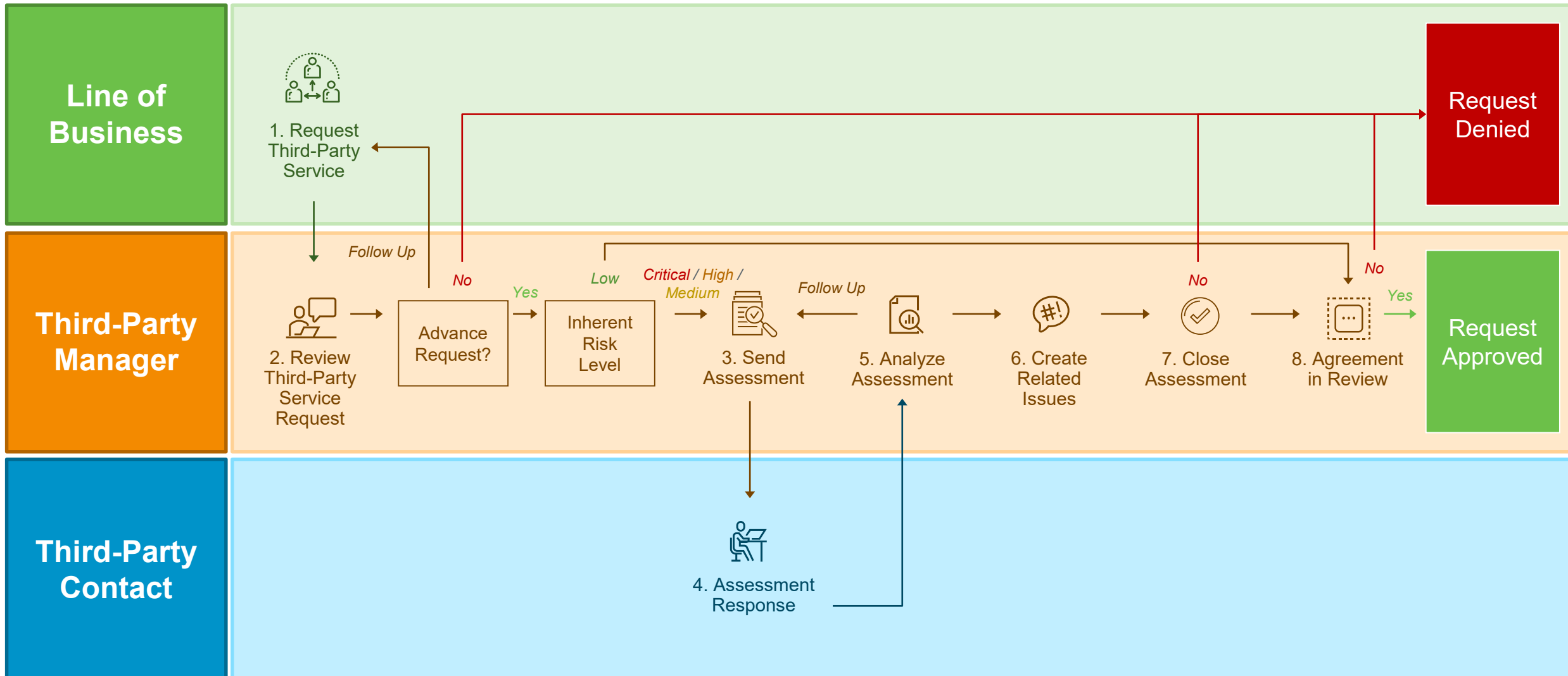
**SERVICE  
REVIEW**

**ISSUE MANAGEMENT & REMEDIATION**

Pre-Contract

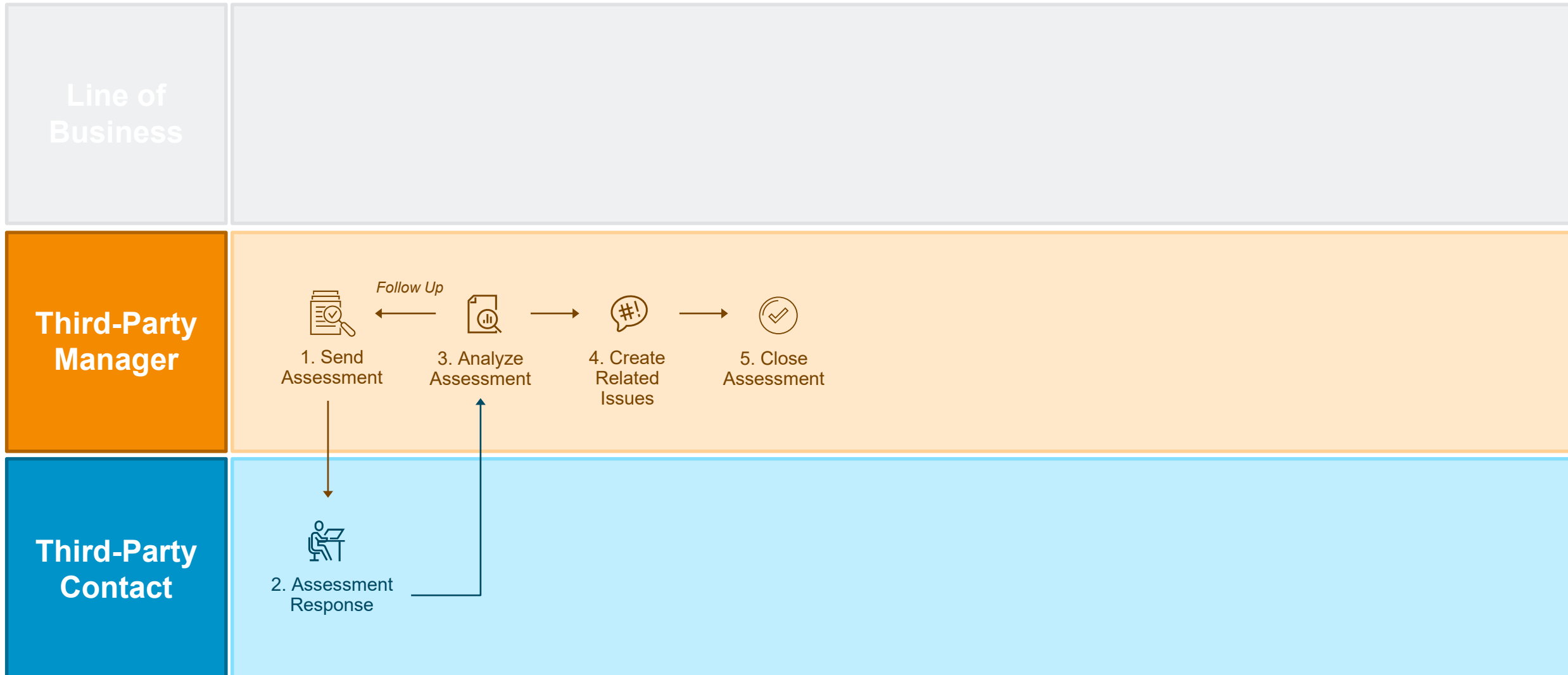
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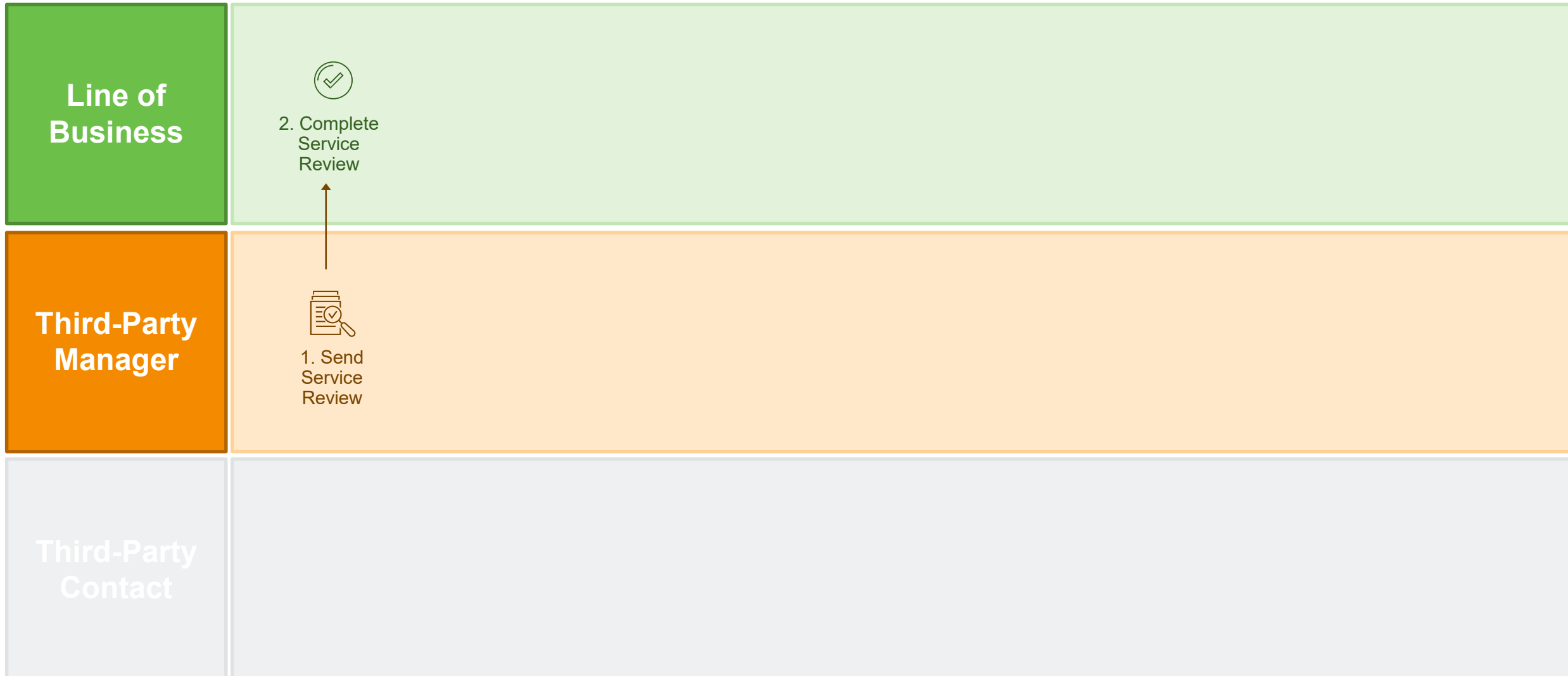




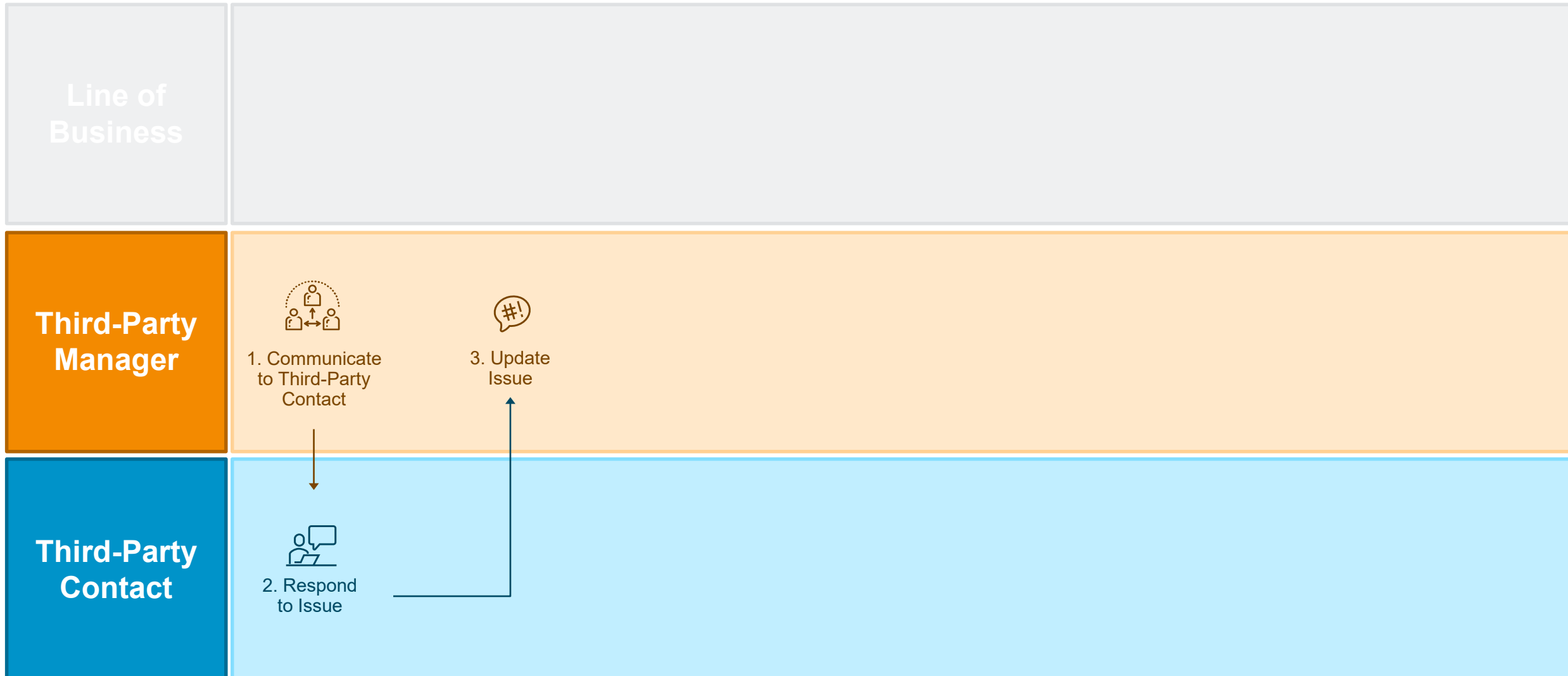
# Ongoing Monitoring: Periodic Due Diligence



# Ongoing Monitoring: Service Reviews

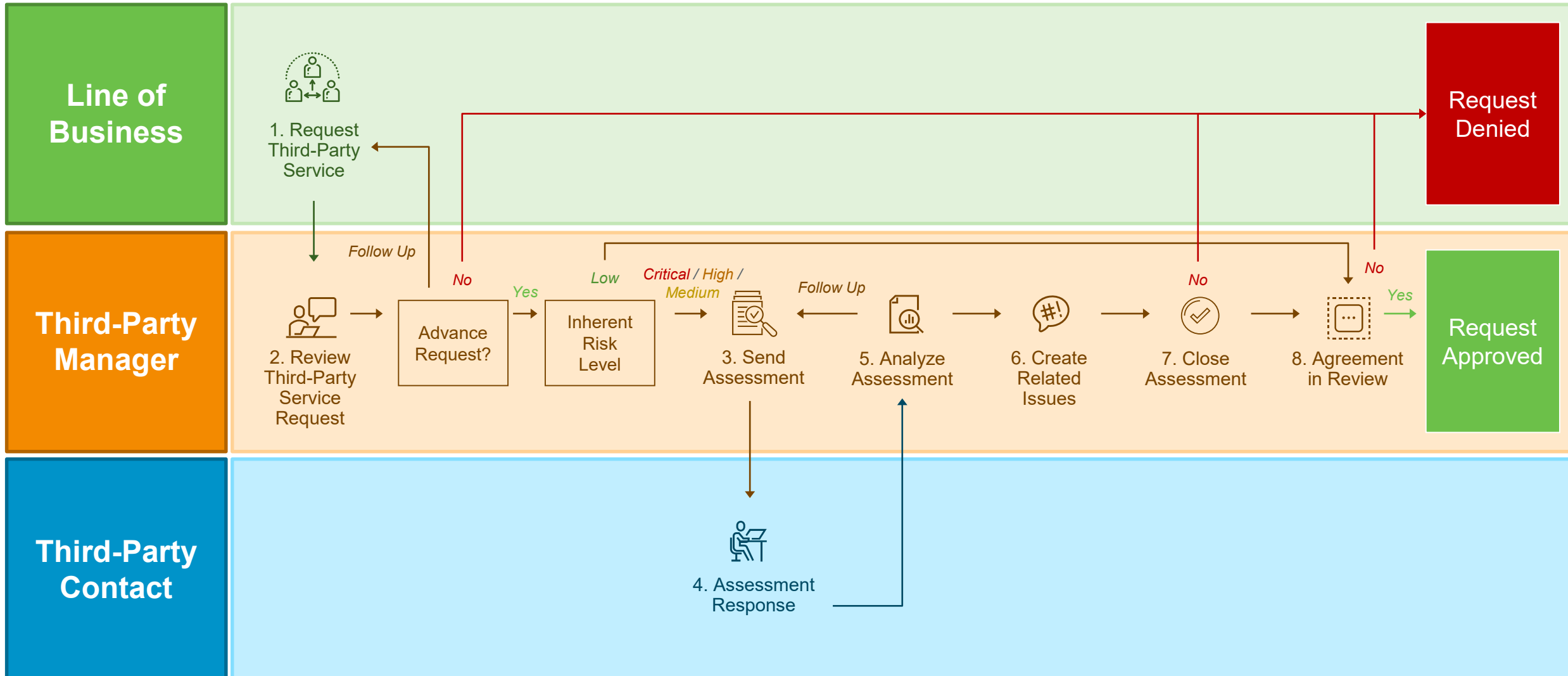


# Issue Management & Remediation

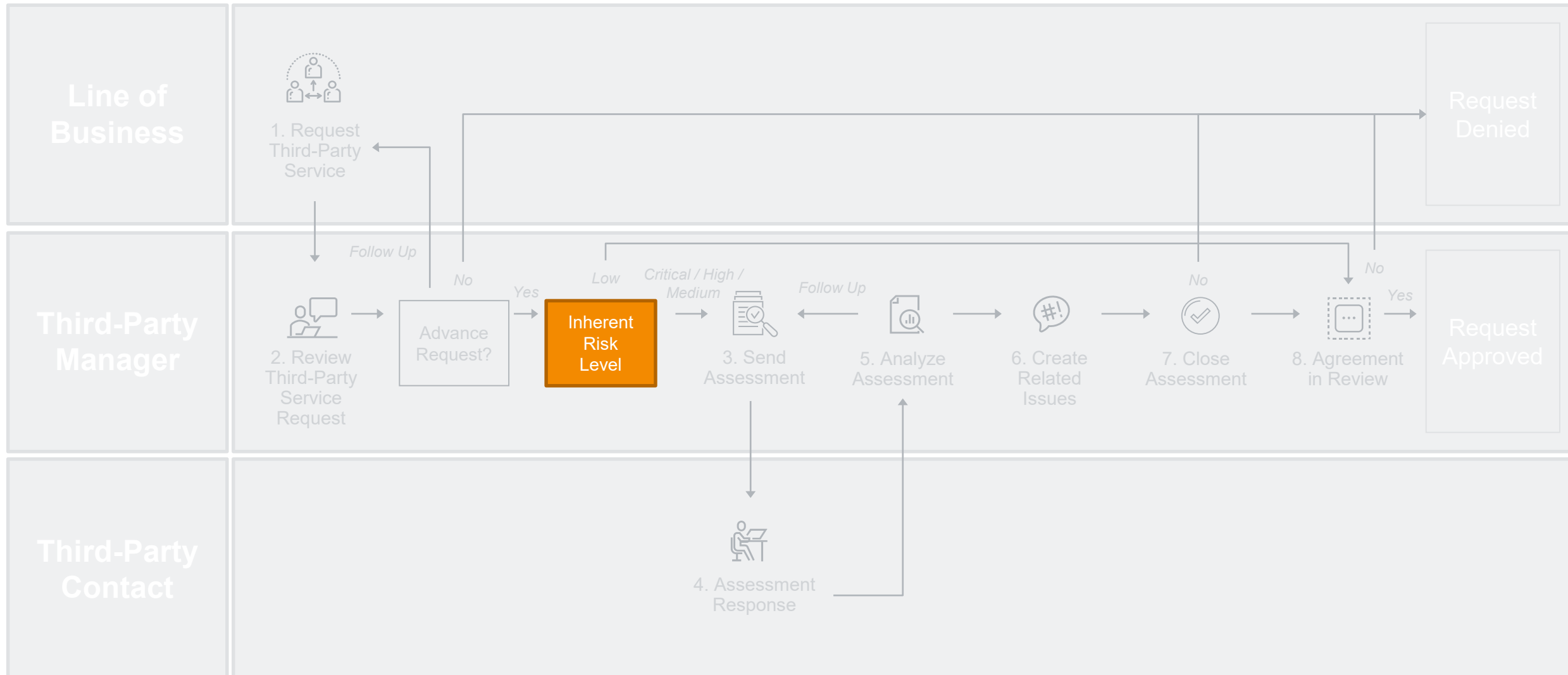


# Inherent Risk

# Onboarding Workflow



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# Risk Domains Help Define Inherent Risk Questions

Identity

Information Security

Geographic

Financial

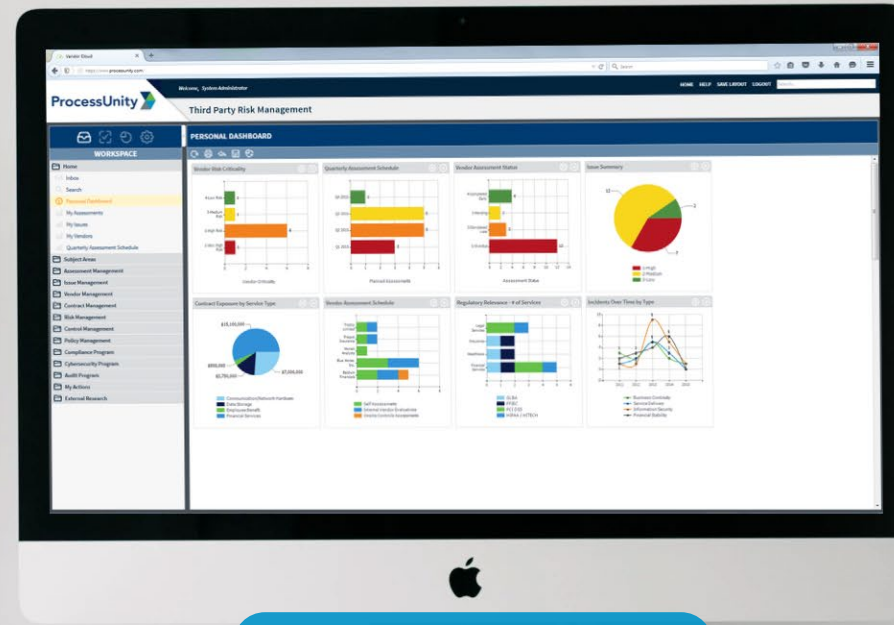
Business Continuity

Fourth-Party

Reputation

Compliance

Conflict of Interest



# Define Your Inherent Risk Questions

- What is the expected annual contract amount? (Financial / Business Continuity)
- Is the third-party service performed domestically? (Geographic)
- Is the service essential to the operations of the company? (Business Continuity)
- How difficult would it be to replace this service with an alternative? (Business Continuity)
- What is the expected annual volume of records that will be accessed, processed, stored or transmitted by this third party? (Information Security)
- Is any part of the third-party service being provided subject to any regulatory / compliance requirements? (Compliance)
- Does this third-party store, process or transmit Personally Identifiable Information (PII) or Protected Health Information (PHI) as part of this service? (Information Security)
- Is the service delivered as a cloud-based solution? (Information Security)
- Does this third party have access to our IT network or technical infrastructure? (Information Security)
- Does the third party outsource any part of the service? (Geographic / Information Security)



# Define Your Risk Tiers

LOW				MEDIUM				HIGH			
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D		C		B		A					
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**YES**

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Is the service essential to the operations of the company?

12 Points

# Building a Scoring System

**LOW**

*0 - 5*

**MEDIUM**

*6 - 7*

**HIGH**

*8 - 11*

**CRITICAL**

*12 +*

*12*

Service is essential to company operations

*6*

Annual contract amount > \$500,000

*2*

A part of the service is performed internationally

*2*

Difficult to replace service with alternative

*2*

High annual record volume

*2*

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*2*

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*2*

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*2*

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*2*

Third party outsources a portion of the service

Intake Questions  
& Point Values



# Checking the Math

	MAJOR BANK	RECORDS SHREDDER	LANDSCAPING CONTRACTOR
Essential to operations	YES (12 Points)	NO	NO
Contract > \$500,000		NO	NO
Performed internationally		NO	NO
Difficult to replace		YES (2 Points)	NO
High record volume		YES (2 Points)	NO
Subject to regulatory requirements		YES (2 Points)	NO
Access to PII or PHI		YES (2 Points)	NO
Cloud-based solution		NO	NO
Access to technical infrastructure		NO	NO
Outsources a portion of the service		NO	YES (2 Points)
TOTAL SCORE	12	8	2
RISK TIER	CRITICAL	HIGH	LOW

# Use Inherent Risk to Auto Scope Due Diligence

**LOW**

*0 - 5*

No Further  
Due Diligence  
Required

**MEDIUM**

*6 - 7*

Light Due  
Diligence  
Required  
(SIG Lite)

**HIGH**

*8 - 11*

Medium Due  
Diligence  
Required  
(SIG Lite)

**CRITICAL**

*12 +*

Intensive Due  
Diligence  
Required  
(SIG Core)

# Quick Sidebar: Questionnaires

# The Evolution of the Assessment Questionnaire

One, (usually long) questionnaire used to assess all vendors

**ONE SIZE  
“FITS” ALL**

Multiple questionnaires of varying lengths used to vet vendors in different risk tiers

**MULTIPLE  
VERSIONS**

A single, smart assessment that includes questions based on inherent risk and adjusts mid-assessment based on vendors' answers

**SELF-  
SCOPING**

Smart assessment that pre-scores answers (good vs bad) and automatically generates issues and follow-ups to reduce review time

**SELF-  
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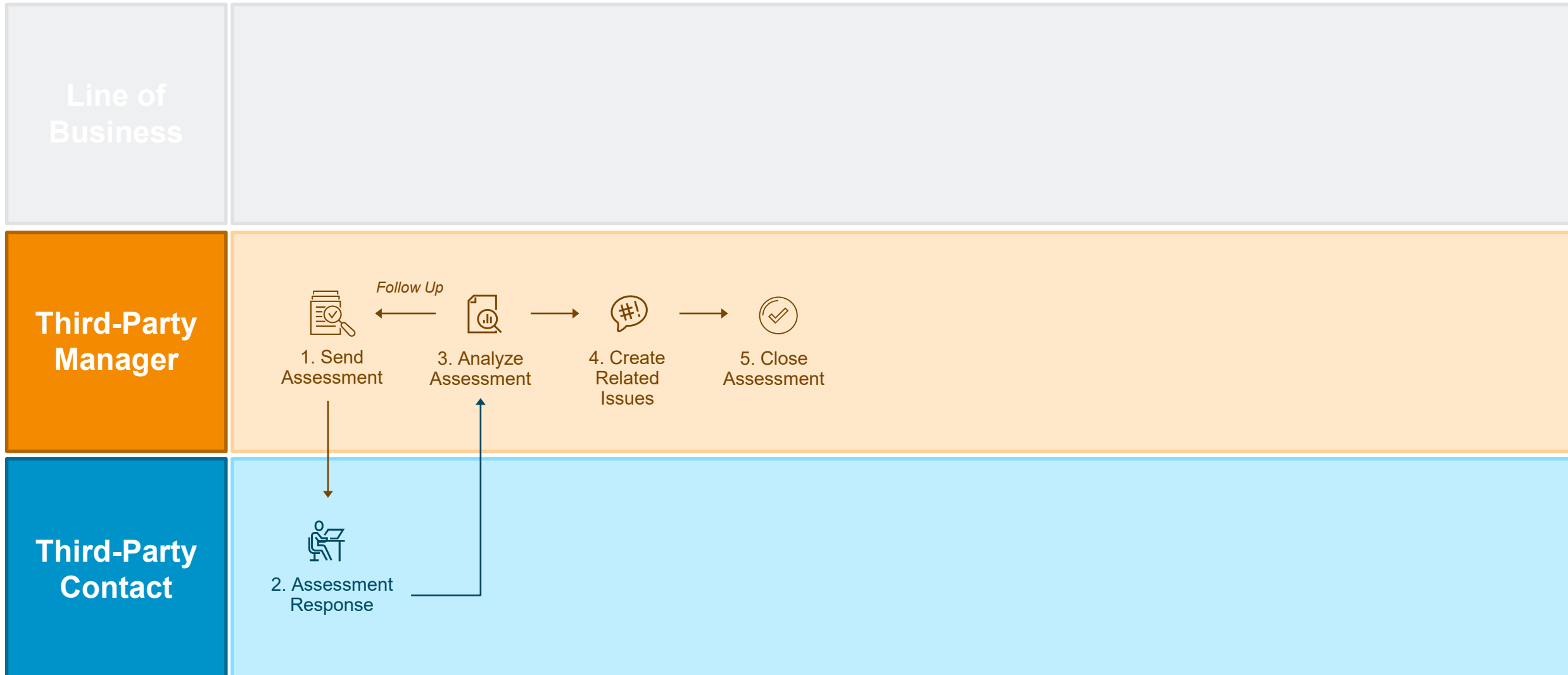
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# Determining a Cadence for Periodic Due Diligence

# Ongoing Monitoring: Periodic Due Diligence



# Residual Risk Determines Scope & Frequency

Inherent Risk		Previous Assessment Review Rating		Residual Risk	Assessment Scope	Assessment Frequency
CRITICAL	+	No Prior Review	=	Critical	SIG Core	ASAP
		Unsatisfactory		Critical	SIG Core	Annual
		Needs Improvement		Critical	SIG Core	Annual
		Satisfactory		High	SIG Lite	Annual
HIGH	+	No Prior Review	=	High	SIG Lite	ASAP
		Unsatisfactory		High	SIG Lite	Biennial
		Needs Improvement		High	SIG Lite	Biennial
		Satisfactory		Medium	SIG Lite	Biennial
MEDIUM	+	No Prior Review	=	Medium	SIG Lite	ASAP
		Unsatisfactory		Medium	SIG Lite	Biennial
		Needs Improvement		Medium	SIG Lite	Biennial
		Satisfactory		Low	SIG Lite	Triennial
LOW	+	N/A	=	Low	N/A	N/A
		N/A		Low	N/A	N/A
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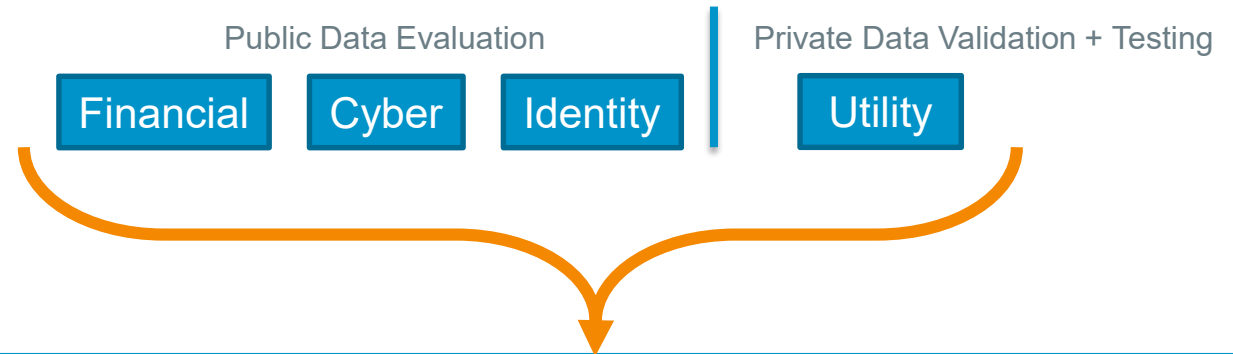


# Get Help: External Content & Managed Services

# Incorporate External Ratings & Content

## Enriched Content Options

- Understand the difference between public and private data validation
- Set a rationale for leveraging by inherent risk tier
- Off-load the time intense operations
- Embed external content into your process



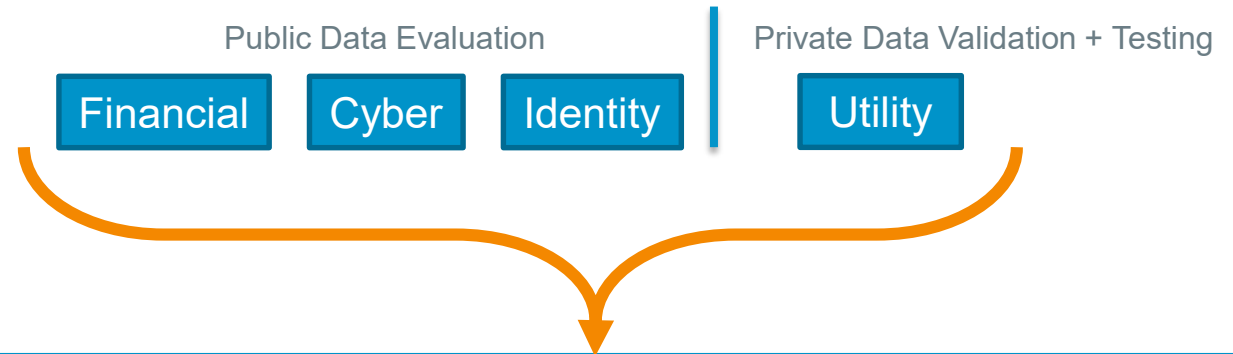
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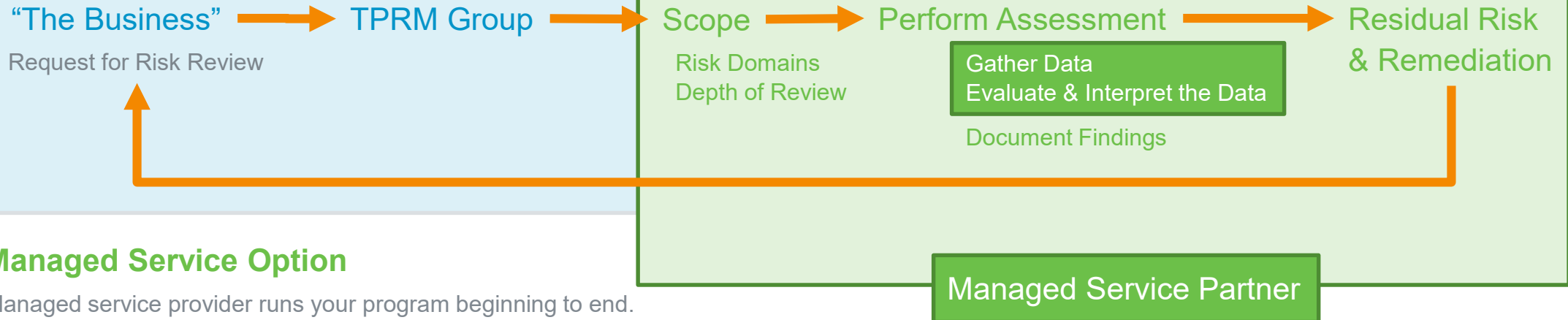
# Extend Your Team

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## Managed Service Option

Managed service provider runs your program beginning to end.

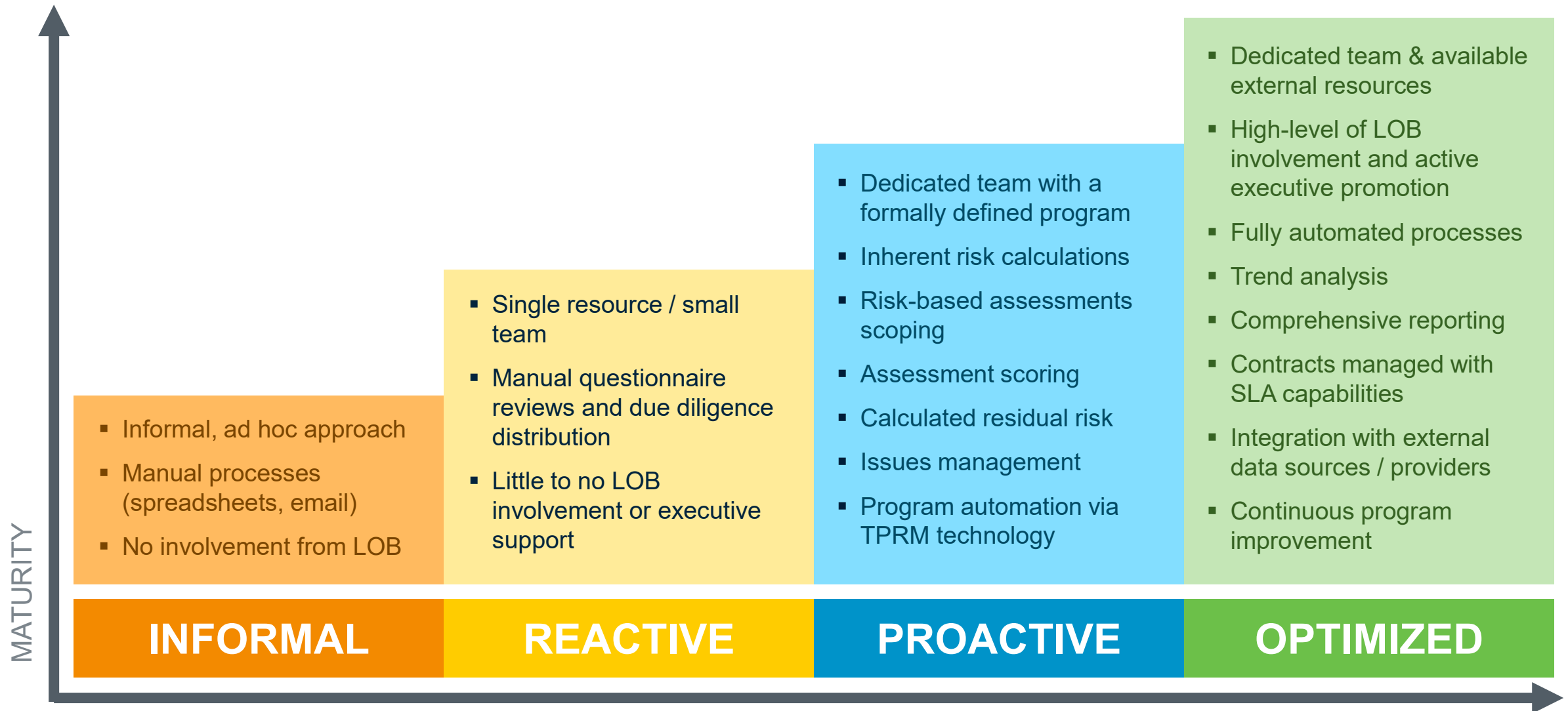
- You adopt or dictate the risk methodology
- You confirm/accept the risk
- You monitor and leverage the process

Getting Help is Great, But Always Remember...

**You Own the Risk!**

# Assessing Your Program's Maturity

# Third-Party Risk Maturity Model



# POLL QUESTION:

How would you rate the maturity level of your current TPRM program?

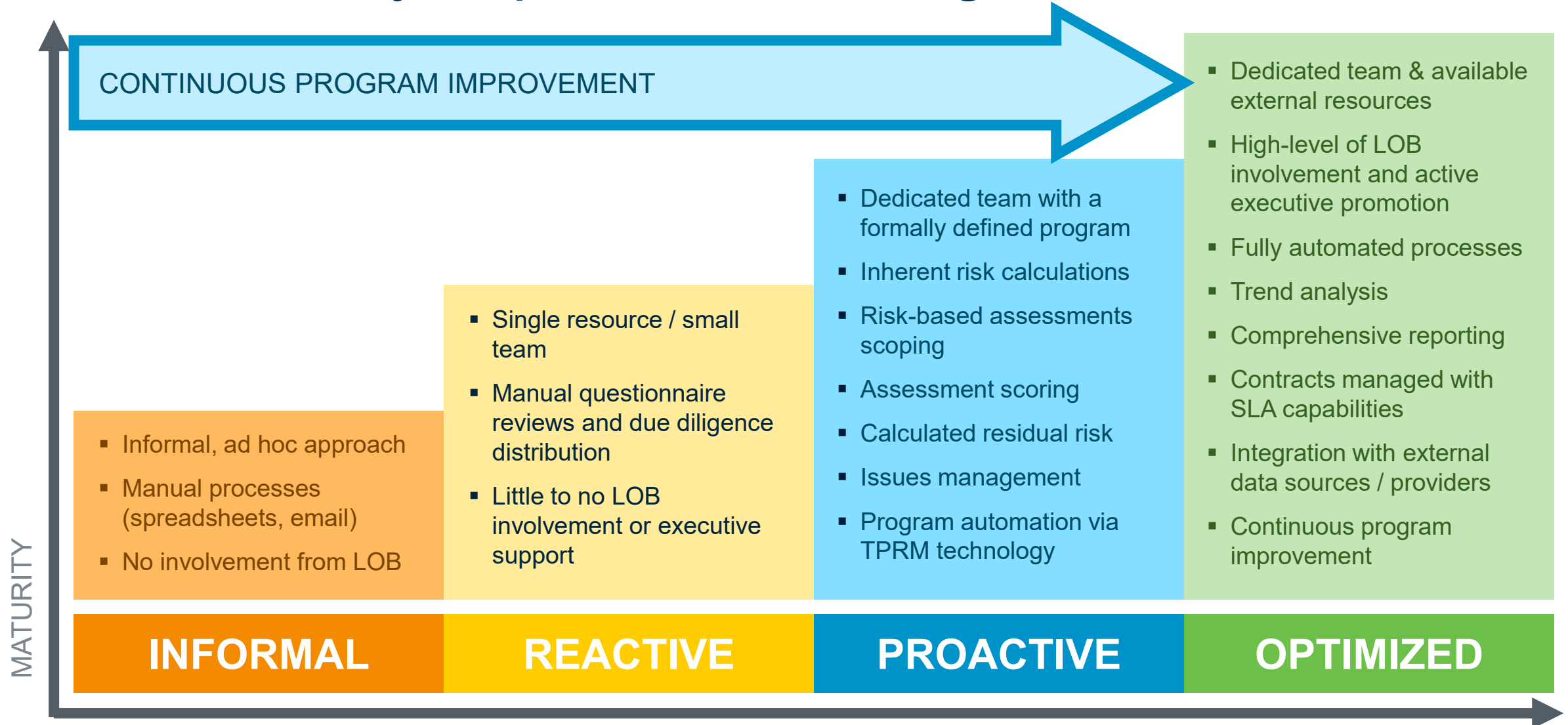
INFORMAL

REACTIVE

PROACTIVE

OPTIMIZED

# Incrementally Improve Your Program





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Take steps to advance your program (and your career)

INFORMAL	REACTIVE	PROACTIVE	OPTIMIZED
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Formalize your program</li><li>▪ Document, document, document</li><li>▪ Socialize program's charter with executives</li><li>▪ <b>Advantage: Blank slate</b></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Nix the one-size-fits all questionnaire</li><li>▪ Implement a repository for TPRM data</li><li>▪ Calculate inherent and residual risk</li><li>▪ Look to automation</li><li>▪ <b>Advantage: Leverage your recent experience to determine what's working...and what's not working</b></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Increase LOB involvement and executive promotion</li><li>▪ Extend beyond onboarding and due diligence</li><li>▪ Improve contract management and SLA tracking</li><li>▪ Incorporate external data into onboarding and continuous monitoring</li><li>▪ <b>Advantage: Consistency builds confidence with regulators</b></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Focus on cost reduction and vendor service quality</li><li>▪ <b>Advantage: Improved negotiation power based on accurate, actionable data on vendors' ability to meet KPIs, SLAs and other performance metrics</b></li></ul>

# For More Information

**Automate Your Third-Party  
Risk Management Program:**

[www.processunity.com/automate](http://www.processunity.com/automate)

**Gartner Report Evaluates  
Top Vendor Risk Tools:**

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