



NGA Resource Center for State Cybersecurity

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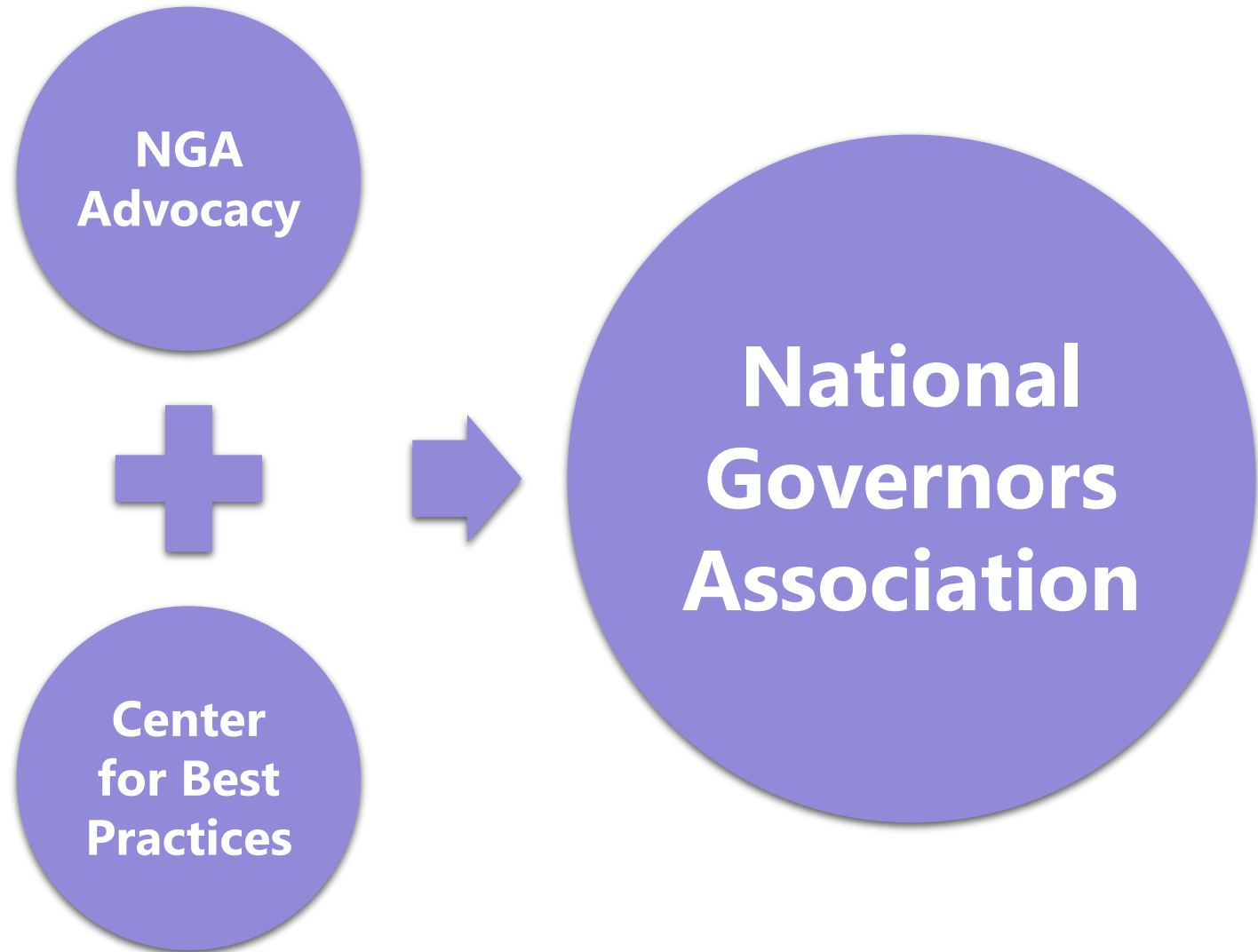
Over **100** years of serving our nation's governors

Founded in 1908, the National Governors Association (NGA) is the nonpartisan organization of the nation's 55 governors. Through NGA, governors share best practices, address issues of national and state interest and share innovative solutions that improve state government and support the principles of federalism.

The National Governors Association

Organization

The NGA Center for Best Practices is a 501(c)(3) and part of our larger organization.



The Center for Best Practices Program Areas

K-12
Education

Cybersecurity

Energy

Environment
& Energy

Healthcare
Cost &
Coverage

Health Data &
Workforce

Health
Systems

Homeland
Security

Human
Services/Early
Childhood

Infrastructure

Post
Secondary
Education

Public Health

Public Safety
& Legal
Counsel

Workforce
Development
& Economic

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RESOURCE CENTER FOR STATE CYBERSECURITY

The significant and continued growth of cyber-attacks against the United States makes cybersecurity a critical issue for all states address the consequences of the rapidly evolving and expanding technological threats now faced by law enforcement, works and energy agencies, private financial and communications sectors and the general public, NGA launched a Resource Cybersecurity to provide governors with resources, tools and recommendations to help craft and implement effective state policies and practices. To inform the work of the Resource Center, NGA is working with leading experts, practitioners, representatives and federal agencies and representatives from private industry to develop resources and tools and to provide strategic on state cybersecurity issues.

Featured

In January 2021, the NGA Center for Best Practices hosted the Fourth National Summit on State Cybersecurity, in conjunction with Arkansas Governor Asa Hutchinson. Videos from select sessions are available in a [playlist on YouTube](#), or by watching below.



Resource Center Co-Chairs



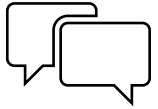
Governor Asa Hutchinson



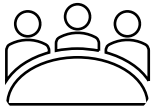
Governor John Bel Edwards

<https://www.nga.org/statecyber/>

How We Work With States



Policy Academies: Over a year long engagement, the program supports governor-appointed teams in developing and implementing strategic plans designed to address critical state policy challenges.



Policy Institutes and Workshops: The program hosts an annual policy institute for governors' cybersecurity policy advisors and other workshops on specific topics to bring governors' staff together with subject-matter experts to exchange ideas and identify best practices.



Conference Calls and Webinars: The program regularly hosts conference calls and webinars to highlight new and emerging issues and provide a forum for peer-to-peer exchange.



Publications: Practical materials to inform governors' offices about available policy options to address pressing cybersecurity issues.



Technical Assistance: Staff can provide tailored assistance to governors' offices upon request. Assistance can come in a variety of forms, including brief confidential memos addressing a specific policy question, comments on draft legislation or regulations as related to best practices, consultations on a policy development process or access to outside experts.

Whole-of-Government Approach

- Threat landscape is constantly evolving
- State and local entities are as vulnerable as ever
- Cybersecurity isn't just an IT problem anymore!



Key State Cybersecurity Priority Areas

Governance

**Critical
Infrastructure
Security**

**State/Local
Partnerships**

**Workforce
Development**

**Election
Cybersecurity**

**Response
Planning**

NGA's 2021 Policy Academy to Advance Whole-of-State Cybersecurity

Governance

Workforce
Development

State-Local
Partnerships



Previous NGA Policy Academy Outcomes

Governance



Workforce
Development



Response
Planning



State-Local
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Critical
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Thank You!



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