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15 Signs There Are Critical Gaps in Your Program

Are your third-party risk management processes creating more vulnerabilities than they prevent?

Third-party ecosystems are expanding at record speed, but many TPRM teams still rely on manual processes and the same resources to manage them. The result: a widening vulnerability gap that leaves your organization exposed to security breaches, compliance failures, financial losses, and reputational damage.

To address this, forward-thinking organizations are shifting from questionnaire-based methods to **proactive, data-first TPRM strategies**.

15 Signs You Need a Data-Driven TPRM Approach

Here are 15 indicators that it's time for your organization to embrace data-first TPRM. Click "Yes" for all that apply.

#	Description	Yes
1	Our third-party ecosystem is expanding faster than our team's capacity to manage it.	☐
2	Our TPRM processes are still heavily manual (i.e. reliant on human-managed questionnaires, spreadsheets, and email threads).	☐
3	Our team is overburdened with low-value admin work due to a lack of automation and standardized processes.	☐
4	Assessments pile up and create backlogs that leave some of our third parties unchecked for longer than we want.	☐
5	Lengthy onboarding cycles delay critical vendor engagements and business initiatives.	☐
6	It is difficult to monitor our entire third-party portfolio due to insufficient tools and/or resources.	☐
7	Hard-to-assess or unresponsive vendors create blind spots in our third-party risk posture.	☐
8	We have little to no visibility into the risk postures of our fourth and nth parties.	☐
9	Our current TPRM methods don't allow us to detect, assess, and address emerging threats and vulnerabilities in real time.	☐
10	We do not have a reliable contingency plan in place for disruptions affecting key vendors.	☐
11	Our risk data is fragmented across emails, spreadsheets, and siloed systems.	☐
12	We are concerned about falling behind our competition due to slow AI adoption.	☐
13	Policy and evidence reviews are a drain on our time and resources, slowing overall program efficiency.	☐
14	We are not sufficiently equipped to keep up with and meet the demands of evolving regulations.	☐
15	Our current processes cannot keep pace with complex multi-domain risks (cybersecurity, operational, ESG, etc.).	☐

Your TPRM Maturity Score

(Each "Yes" = 1 point)

0–5 points

Strong Foundation

You've built a solid TPRM program and taken meaningful steps toward modernization. Focus now on resolving the specific gaps you've identified in this assessment to strengthen your overall resilience.

6-10 points

At Risk

Your program shows progress, but critical vulnerabilities remain. Explore **intelligent TPRM solutions** that can be tailored and configured to address your most urgent challenges.

11-15 points

Critical Exposure

There are significant gaps in your TPRM approach, putting your organization at risk of breaches, compliance failures, and costly disruptions. Consider investing in an all-in-one **TPRM platform** to quickly close critical gaps and build lasting resilience.

Don't let outdated TPRM practices put your business at risk.

ProcessUnity delivers instant visibility into risks, faster onboarding, and built-in AI TPRM tools so you can close your vulnerability gap and manage third-party risk with the same resources available today.

Take control of your risk program today — contact us to learn more about our data-first TPRM solutions.

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