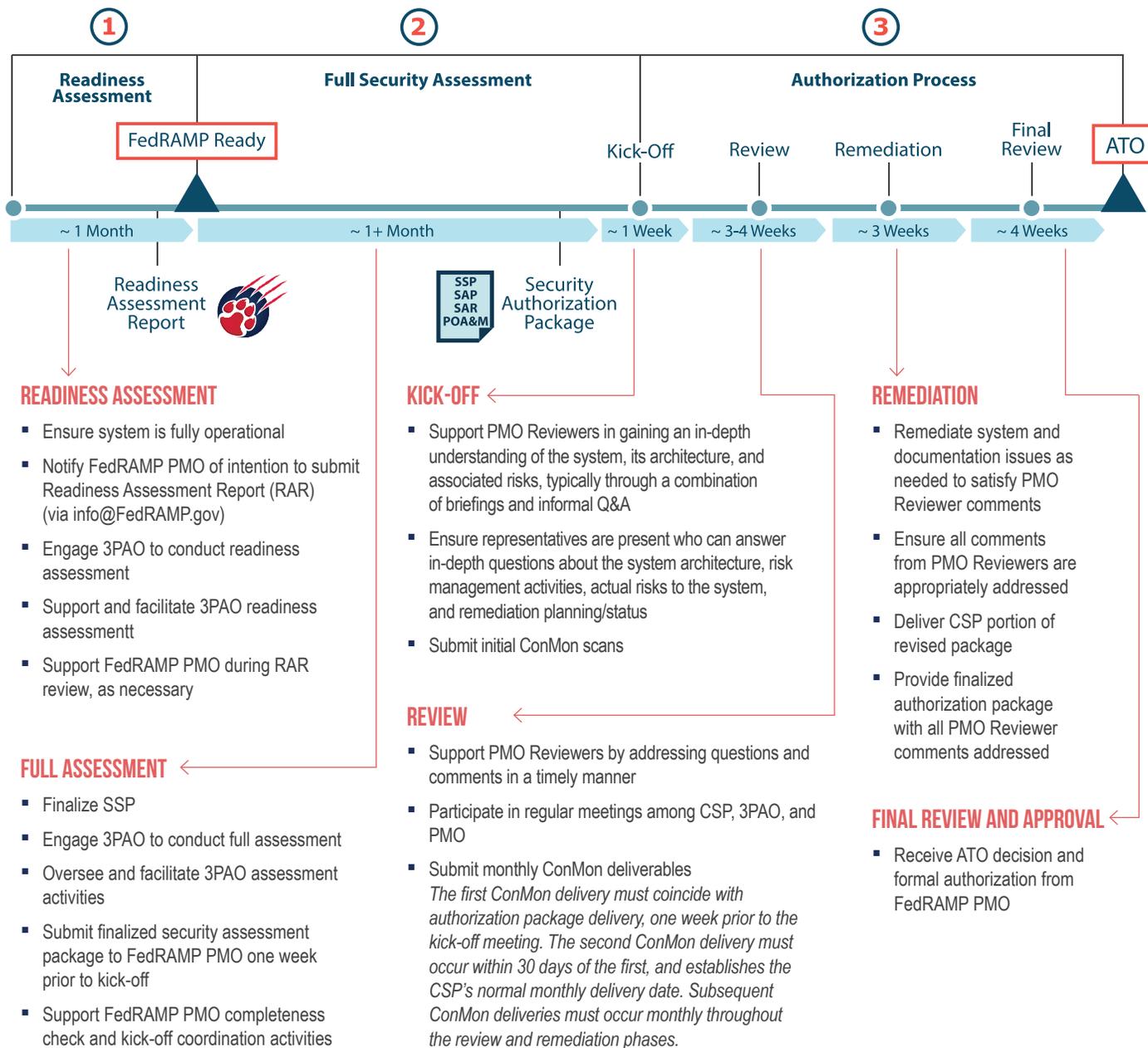# FedRAMP | CSP ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

ROLE: Provide secure cloud service offerings to the federal government and maintain security in adherence with NIST/FedRAMP requirements

Timeline

1 Readiness Assessment
2 Full Security Assessment
3 Authorization Process

FedRAMP Ready

Kick-Off · Review · Remediation · Final Review · ATO

~ 1 Month | ~ 1+ Month | ~ 1 Week | ~ 3-4 Weeks | ~ 3 Weeks | ~ 4 Weeks

Readiness Assessment Report

SSP / SAP / SAR / POA&M — Security Authorization Package

READINESS ASSESSMENT

- Ensure system is fully operational
- Notify FedRAMP PMO of intention to submit Readiness Assessment Report (RAR) (via info@FedRAMP.gov)
- Engage 3PAO to conduct readiness assessment
- Support and facilitate 3PAO readiness assessmentt
- Support FedRAMP PMO during RAR review, as necessary

FULL ASSESSMENT

- Finalize SSP
- Engage 3PAO to conduct full assessment
- Oversee and facilitate 3PAO assessment activities
- Submit finalized security assessment package to FedRAMP PMO one week prior to kick-off
- Support FedRAMP PMO completeness check and kick-off coordination activities

KICK-OFF

- Support PMO Reviewers in gaining an in-depth understanding of the system, its architecture, and associated risks, typically through a combination of briefings and informal Q&A
- Ensure representatives are present who can answer in-depth questions about the system architecture, risk management activities, actual risks to the system, and remediation planning/status
- Submit initial ConMon scans

REVIEW

- Support PMO Reviewers by addressing questions and comments in a timely manner
- Participate in regular meetings among CSP, 3PAO, and PMO
- Submit monthly ConMon deliverables
  The first ConMon delivery must coincide with authorization package delivery, one week prior to the kick-off meeting. The second ConMon delivery must occur within 30 days of the first, and establishes the CSP's normal monthly delivery date. Subsequent ConMon deliveries must occur monthly throughout the review and remediation phases.

REMEDIATION

- Remediate system and documentation issues as needed to satisfy PMO Reviewer comments
- Ensure all comments from PMO Reviewers are appropriately addressed
- Deliver CSP portion of revised package
- Provide finalized authorization package with all PMO Reviewer comments addressed

FINAL REVIEW AND APPROVAL

- Receive ATO decision and formal authorization from FedRAMP PMO

FEDRAMP IS COMMITTED TO:

- Creating a collaborative, open environment
- Facilitating a predictable and transparent process
- Providing clear and timely communications
- Clarifying expectations and requirements where needed

ELEMENTS OF CSP SUCCESS:

- Executive leadership commitment throughout the process
- Transparency about barriers and risks
- Commitment to understanding the relationship between security and compliance
- Quality documentation