



## AcuTech's 6-Step CFATS Approach Can Help To:

- Develop your company strategy
- Perform a custom site visit
- Conduct a gap analysis
- Identify your solutions
- Prepare your CSAT SSP
- Provide inspection, audit, and on-going support

## Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS)

The Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) rule is the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS's) program to secure the nation's chemical infrastructure by identifying high risk chemical facilities and requiring them to implement Risk-Based Performance Standards (RBPS). Most facilities have already completed the Top-Screen and Security Vulnerability Assessment (SVA) steps. Facilities at all tiers of the program will be required to have a Site Security Plan (SSP) which they will submit to DHS via the Chemical Security Assessment Tool (CSAT) using the DHS SSP template, or an Alternative Security Program (ASP).

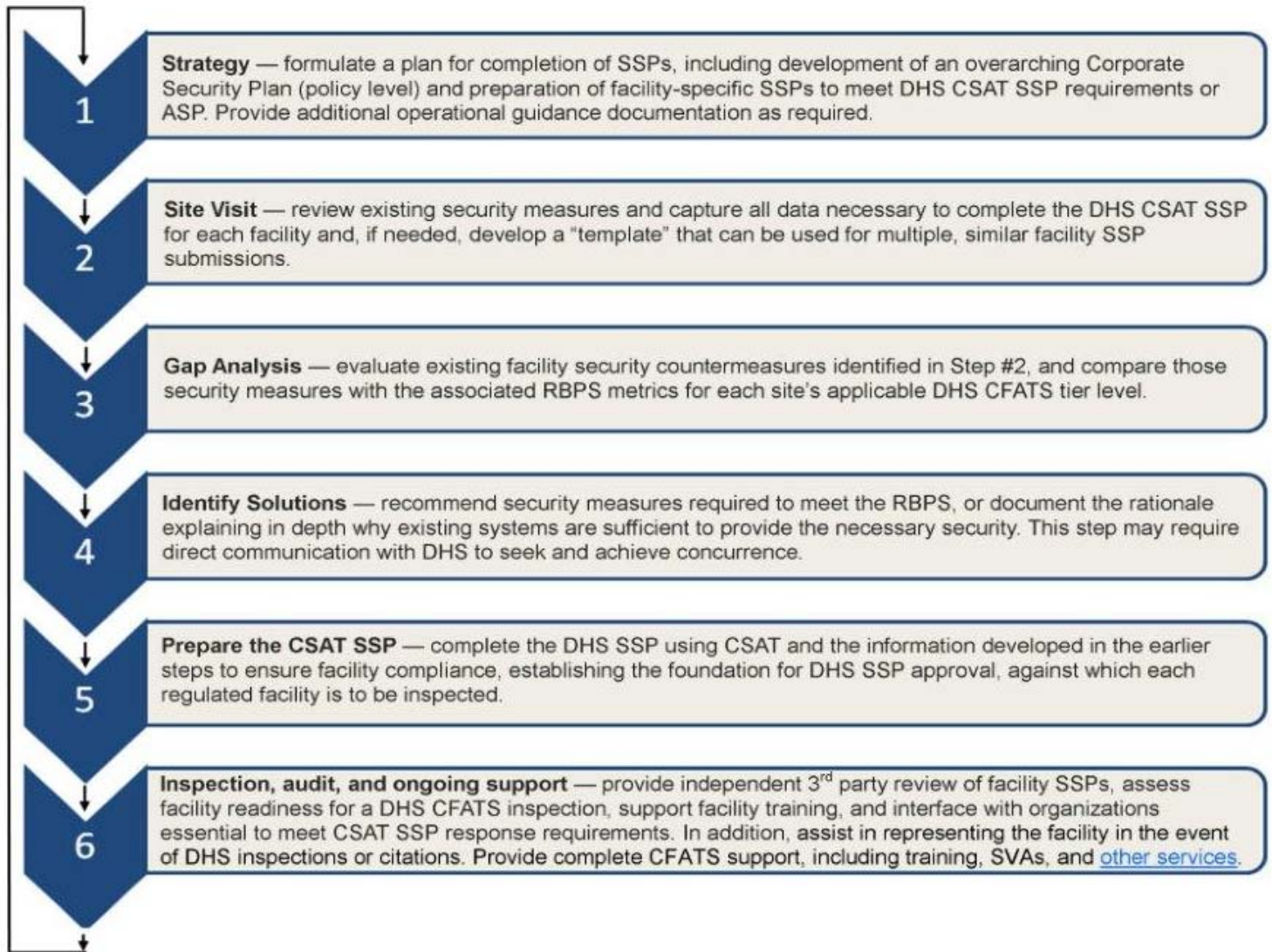
Having served as subject matter experts to DHS during the early development of CFATS and the CSAT system, AcuTech staff understand how to take a facility from an SVA to an SSP by analyzing gaps in existing countermeasures against the RBPS. We then work with your staff to find cost-effective security solutions to achieve the RBPS. Acting as CSAT Preparer, we take on the burden of completing the CSAT SSP and ensure it is accurately documented.

There are 18 RBPS that range from securing the site, to training, recordkeeping, and coordinating emergency response and crisis management. Measures that satisfy the RBPS can result in "layers of protection" and individual measures may help a facility meet more than one RBPS. AcuTech has the unique chemical security background to be able to develop resource efficient, well-organized plans. Built from your existing plans, we work to incorporate the new measures needed to fill CFATS-specific gaps and meet your compliance needs. We have written security and emergency response plans for a wide variety of industries including oil & gas, chemical manufacturing, LNG terminals, food manufacturers, and other covered facilities.

## AcuTech Qualifications for CFATS Assistance

- Market leader in chemical security services & security vulnerability assessments (SVAs)
- Previous Subject Matter Expert to DHS during development of CFATS
- Recognized chemical security, process safety, and emergency management experts
- Developed key security guidance for government and industry
- Prime contractor for CCPS SVA Guidelines for Chemical Security (2002)
- Developed API/NPRA SVA methodology and API Security Guidelines (2004)
- Recognized expert in Inherently Safer Technology (IST), currently a requirement of state and local regulations and may be incorporated into future CFATS requirements

# The AcuTech 6-Step CFATS SSP Approach



## Complete Lifecycle Strategies and Assistance

AcuTech's team of consultants provides expert support to achieve your facility security requirements. Industry recognizes us as leaders who worked with DHS and industry groups to develop the RBPS guidance, the core document supporting the SSPs. AcuTech has a long and successful history as industry advocates supporting strong working relationships with our industry clients as well as with government regulators. Some of the key areas we provide assistance include:

- Site Security Plans (SSPs) and Alternative Security Plans (ASPs)
- Countermeasures selection to meet RBPS
- Design & implementation of countermeasures
- Corporate baseline security measures
- Support during inspections
- Integrated emergency management plans
- Security audits & revalidations/updates of SVAs

### About AcuTech

AcuTech Consulting Group offers complete services for managing the challenges of CFATS including consulting, training, and software. AcuTech has an in depth knowledge of the process industries and works closely with industry, trade organizations, and government agencies involved with chemical security. Contact us today at **703-245-3015** or [help@acutech-consulting.com](mailto:help@acutech-consulting.com) to strategize about how to get ahead of the curve and be ready to submit your SSP or ASP.