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Kevin Tierney is GM's Vice President of Cybersecurity & Chief Cybersecurity Officer, responsible for all aspects of cybersecurity across GM including executing enterprise, product, and manufacturing cybersecurity programs, with a focus on security architecture, penetration testing, cyber risk management, incident response, vulnerability management, intelligence, awareness and training, and governance.

Tierney also serves as Vice Chairman of the Automotive Information Sharing & Analysis Center (ISAC), an independent, non-profit organization which allows for sharing of threat and vulnerability information and creation of best practices within the industry.

Prior to his current role, Tierney served as the Chief Product Cybersecurity Officer, where he led the team responsible for developing and implementing security control strategies to reduce the risks associated with cybersecurity threats related to the vehicle and vehicle connected services. Under his leadership, General Motors launched the first security vulnerability disclosure program of any major automaker. He also served as Director, Vehicle Architecture Cybersecurity, where he led the team responsible for developing on-vehicle security protocols and requirements in addition to managing supply chain security. Tierney was also responsible for building one of the industry's first internal red team penetration testing labs, with staff in Warren, Michigan and Tel Aviv, Israel.

Kevin holds a bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, and master's degrees in Systems Engineering from Purdue University and Business Administration from the University of Indiana.