



Today's Cybersecurity Risks

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Everything Can Talk to Everything....

 My product or system can talk to yours!

They all have...

How do we manage that???



Internet of Things (IoT)



Other - 45 comments

13 IoT Devices as Proxies for Cybercrime

OCT 16

Multiple stories published here over the past few weeks have examined the disruptive power of hacked "Internet of Things" (IoT) devices such as routers, IP cameras and digital video recorders. This post looks at how crooks are using hacked IoT devices as proxies to hide their true location online as they engage in a variety of other types of cybercriminal activity — from frequenting underground forums to credit card and tax refund fraud.



Recently, I heard from a cybersecurity researcher who'd created a virtual 'honeypot' environment designed to simulate hackable IoT devices. The source, who asked to remain anonymous, said his honeypot soon began seeing traffic destined for Asus and Linksys routers running default credentials. When he examined what that traffic was designed to do, he found his honeypot systems were being told to download a piece of malware from a destination on the Web.

21 Hacked Cameras, DVRs Powered Today's Massive Internet Outage

A massive and sustained Internet attack that has caused outages and network congestion today for a large number of Web sites was launched with the help of hacked "Internet of Things" (IoT) devices, such as CCTV video cameras and digital video recorders, new data suggests.

Earlier today cyber criminals began training their attack cannons on **Dyn**, an Internet infrastructure company that provides critical technology services to some of the Internet's top destinations. The attack began creating problems for Internet users reaching an array of sites, including Twitter. Amazon. Tumblr. Reddit. Spotify and Netflix.



A depiction of the outages caused by today's attacks on Dyn, an Internet infrastructure company. Source:

Downdetector.com.

At first, it was unclear who or what was behind the attack on Dyn. But over the past few hours, at least one computer security firm has come out saying the attack involved Mirai, the same malware strain that was used in the record 620 Gpbs attack on my site last month. At the end September 2016, the hacker responsible for creating the Mirai malware released the source code for it, effectively letting anyone build their own attack army using Mirai.

Mirai scours the Web for IoT devices protected by little more than factory-default usernames and passwords, and then enlists the devices in attacks that hurl junk traffic at an online target until it can no longer accommodate legitimate visitors or users.

According to researchers at security firm Flashpoint, today's attack was launched at least in part by a Mirai-based botnet. Allison Nixon, director of research at Flashpoint, said the botnet used in today's ongoing attack is built on the backs of hacked IoT devices — mainly compromised digital video recorders (DVRs) and IP cameras made by a Chinese hi-tech company called XiongMai Technologies. The components that XiongMai makes are sold.





1. Users clicking links

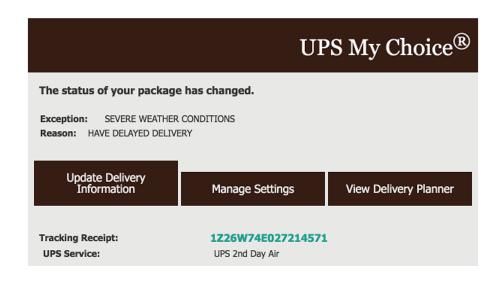
Fax Message [Caller-ID: MedSource]

You have received a 2 page fax on Tuesday, December 19, 2016 at 8:34 -500 The reference number for this fax is 84502384542

Click here to view this message



2. Users clicking links





3. Users clicking links

ADP Immediate Notification

Over the past few days we have had reports of issues with the distributed W-2's. As a result we are issuing W-2c (Corrected W-2) for a large subset ADP customers, including employees. Please use ADP's W2 Secure Download portal below to obtain the corrected W-2 and contact your Human Resources department with any further questions.

W2 Secure Download

Ref: 22771

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4. Users clicking links

New ZixCorp secure email message from

Open Message

To view the secure message, click Open Message.

The secure message expires on July 22, 2016 @ 07:39 PM (GMT).

Do not reply to this notification message; this message was auto-generated by the sender's security system. To reply to the sender, click Open Message.

If clicking Open Message does not work, copy and paste the link below into your Internet browser address bar

https://web1.zixmail.net/s/e

Want to send and receive your secure messages transparently?

Click here to learn more.



5. Users clicking links

Your wireless bill is ready.



The current billing statement for your wireless account is now available in My Verizon.

Please note, payments and/or adjustment made to your account since your invoice was generated will not be reflected in the amount shown

In order to view your bill, please sign in to My Verizon.

Thank you for choosing Verizon Wireless.

Online Bill Summary

Account Number: XXXXX5722-00009

Scheduled Automatic Payment:

01/15/2016

Total Amount Due:

\$ 958.54

Pay Bill | View Online Bill



6. Users clicking links

Hi,

I am applying for an IT internship and I received your email through our IT program here at ISU. I am really interested in learning about networking and system administration. Can you take a look at my resume and let me know if I would be a good fit for your program and if there are any current openings?

<u>Resume</u>



7. Users clicking links

Microsoft has released a tool that will ensure our computers and software are compatible with Windows 10. Please download and run the tool. The tool will run in the background so you can continue working and will not require you to reboot your computer.

If after running the tool, it says that your computer is not compatible, please let me know along with the reason it gives.

Download the Windows 10 Preparation Tool from the link on the top of the page at http://windows10.microsoft.com.



8. Users clicking links

Buongiorno!

In celebration of the grand opening of our new Alexandria franchise, and as a local favorite for authentic Italian food, we're offering coupons redeemable for one FREE lunch or dinner. This offer is being made in appreciation of the patronage of local businesses and is redeemable at any of our locations.

Your coupon is valid through the end of August. Follow the link for the direct download of your coupon, along with our valid menu items that may be purchased with your coupon. Please print out just the coupon and deliver it to your server to enjoy a FREE authentic Italian meal at Bello Cucina!

Coupon Link

Arrivederci,

Jason Mueller, Owner, Bello Cucino 106 West Lincoln Ave



9. Users clicking links



Greetings,

A recent group of viruses have been released which put systems at risk. These viruses destroy data on the local systems and leak personal inform

Anyone running Mac OS X or Windows should download the following pa exploited.

Instructions:

Click on this link http://www.java.com/download/



10. Users opening attachments

Dennis Johnson <dennis th="" to<=""><th>@gmail.com></th></dennis>	@gmail.com>
Hi,	
I found the form on your website and fi	lled it out. Can you take a look and see if it has all the information you need?
Thanks,	
Dennis Johnson	
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Cyber Fraud Themes

- Hackers have "monetized" their activity
 - More sophisticated hacking
 - More "hands-on" effort
 - Smaller organizations targeted
 - Cybercrime as an industry
- Everyone is a target...
- Phishing is a root cause behind the majority of cyber fraud and hacking attacks





Largest Cyber Fraud Trends - Motivations

- Black market economy to support cyber fraud
 - Business models and specialization
- Most common cyber fraud scenarios we see affecting our clients
 - Theft of PII and PFI
 - ♦ W2/Payroll/Benefit info
 - Theft of credit card information
 - Theft of Credentials & Account take overs
 - Ransomware and Interference
 w/ Operations



Payment Fraud

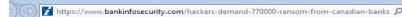
- Most people perform payments electronically
 - Wire transfers & ACH payments
 - Online banking
- Account Take Over (CATO)
 - Compromise accounts/credentials that can move money



Payment Fraud

- Can occur via technical means
 - Attackers "hack" into finance computers
 - Banking Trojans monitor online banking
 - Create fake employees in payroll/ACH file
- Can occur via non-technical means
 - Social engineering
 - Coerce employee to send money
 - ♦ E.g. Fake CEO emails cost businesses BILLIONs over last 3years





Hackers Demand \$770,000 Ransom From Canadian Banks

Cybercrime: FBI Says Ransomware, Extortion Continue to Dominate

Mathew J. Schwartz (Yeuroinfosec) - June 1, 2018 90 Comments

















Bank of Montreal head office in Montréal. (Photo: DXR, via Wikimedia Commons)

Hackers have demanded a ransom of 1 million Canadian dollars (\$770,000) each from two banks, payable in the cryptocurrency exchange system Ripple's XRP token, national Canadian broadcaster CBC News reports.

See Also: How to Keep Your Endpoints Safe from Cybercrime

The ransom demand comes on the heels of the Bank of Montreal, operating as BMO Financial Group, and Simplii Financial, a banking subsidiary of the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, on Monday reporting that they'd been warned that some of their client data may have been exposed on Sunday (see Two Canadian Banks Probe Alleged Exposure of Customer Data).



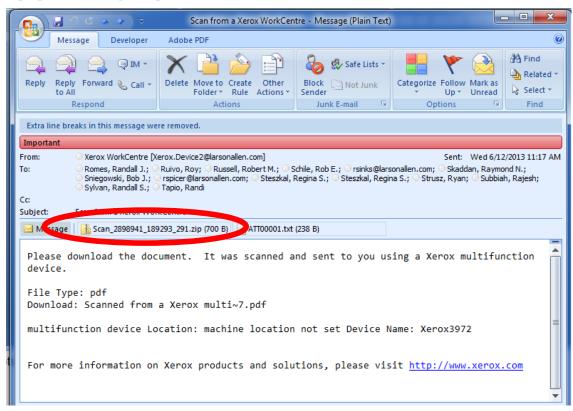


Cryptolocker, Locky, WannaCry, etc.

- Encrypts all data, holds in "ransom" for \$\$
 - Data on local machine and on network

Can affect non-Windows OS (e.g. Mac)







Malware
 encrypts
 everything it can
 interact with









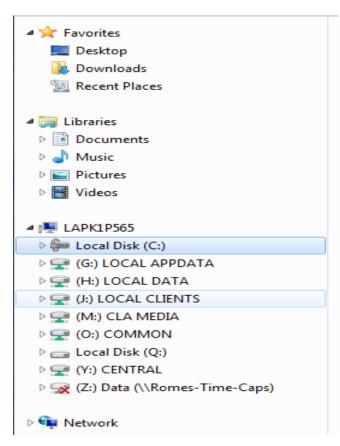






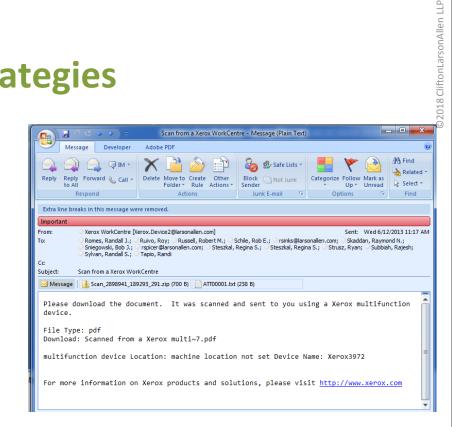






Ransomware Defensive Strategies

- Filtering capabilities
- Users that are aware and savvy



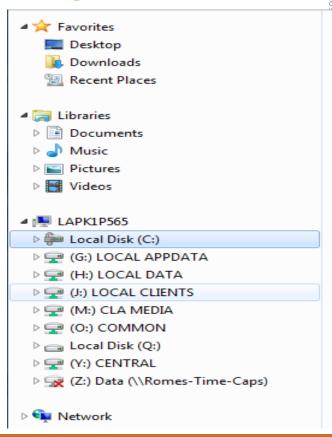
Ransomware Defensive Strategies

- Minimized user access
- Software Restriction Policies
 - Not allowing files/DLLs to run in AppData
- Applocker
 - Similar to SRP
- EMET



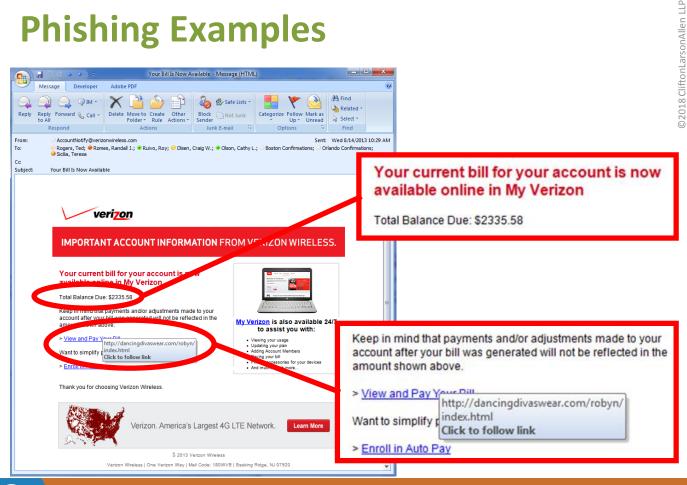
- Current operating systems
- Patched vulnerabilities
- Working backups are critical...







Phishing Examples





Persuasion Attack – CEO Impersonation

- CEO asks the CFO...
- Common mistakes
 - 1. Use of private email
 - 2. "Don't tell anyone"

Safeguards

- Never use email for sole method of authorization
- 2. Ensure recipient has VERBALLY validated with "source" of email for financial transactions

Omaha's Scoular Co. loses \$17 million after spearphishing attack

Fraudsters convinced an Omaha company to send \$17.2 million to a bank in China



By Maria Korolov | Follow CSO | Feb 13, 2015 4:20 PM PT

Fraudsters targeting an Omaha company last summer used extremely well-targeted emails to convince its controller to send a series of wires totaling \$17.2 million to a bank in China.

First, there were emails, supposedly from the CEO, saying that Scoular was buying a company in China. The emails weren't from the CEO's official email address, and, moreover, warned the controller not to communicate about the deal through other channels "in order for us not to infringe SEC regulations."

The emails also instructed the controller to get the wire instructions from an actual employee of the company's actual accounting firm, KPMG. Plus, the phone number provided in the email was answered by someone with the right name.

MORE ON CSO: How to spot a phishing email

Since Scoular was, in fact, discussing expanding in China, the controller fell for the emails and sent off the money.

http://www.csoonline.com/article/2884339/malware-cybercrime/omahas-scoular-co-loses-17-million-after-spearphishing-attack.html



Persuasion Attack CEO Impersonation

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In-depth security news and investigation

https://krebsonsecurity.com/tag/bec/

18 Firm Sues Cyber Insurer Over \$480K

Loss

A Texas manufacturing firm is suing its cyber insurance provider for refusing to cover a \$480,000 loss following an email scam that impersonated the firm's chief executive.

At issue is a cyber insurance policy issued to Houston-based Ameriforge Group Inc. (doing business as "AFGlobal Corp.") by Federal Insurance Co., a division of insurance giant Chubb Group. AFGlobal maintains that the policy it held provided coverage for both computer fraud and funds transfer fraud, but that the insurer nevertheless denied a claim filed in May 2014 after scammers impersonating AFGlobal's CEO convinced the company's accountant to wire \$480,000 to a bank in China.

According to documents filed with the U.S. District Court in Harris County, Texas, the policy covered up to \$3 million, with a \$100,000 deductible. The documents indicate that from May 21, 2014 to May 27, 2014, AFGlobal's director of accounting received



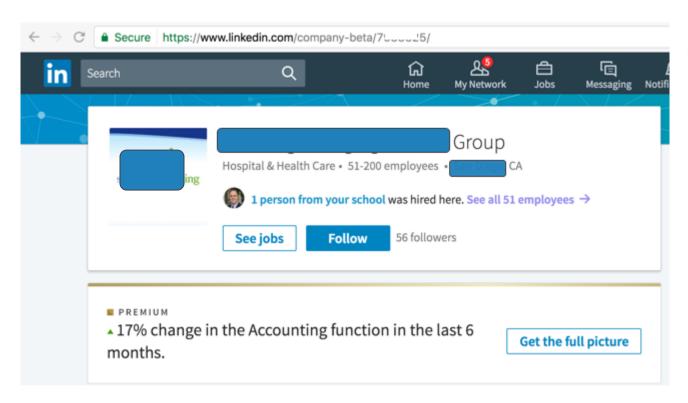
a series of emails from someone claiming to be **Gean Stalcup**, the CEO of AFGlobal.

"Glen, I have assigned you to manage file T521," the phony message to the accounting director Glen Wurm allegedly read. "This is a strictly confidential financial operation, to which takes priority over other tasks. Have you already been contacted by Steven Shapiro (attorney from KPMG)? This is very sensitive, so please only communicate with me through this email, in order for us not to infringe SEC regulations. Please do no speak with anyone by email or phone regarding this. Regards, Gean Stalcup."





Performing Reconnaissance





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Attacking a (municipality)

Let's Go Phishing

- Determine what you want
 - Remote access program
 - Credential harvesting

- Impersonate an internal employee
 - Most SPAM filters don't block this by default
 - Much higher success rate

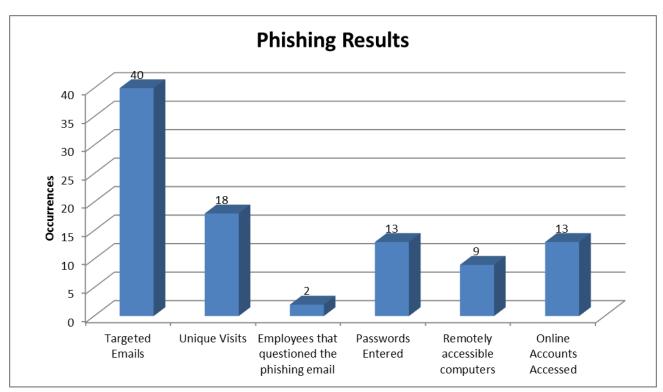


Attacking a (municipality)

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Го:	Anderson, David J	
Cc:		
Subject:	Webmail upgrade	
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Thanks, Ed		▼



Attacking a (municipality)





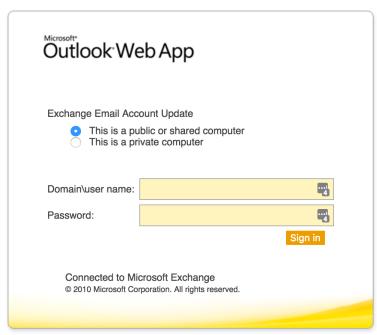
What Does The Internet Perimeter Look Like (The Attack Surface)

- Externally Exposed Services
 - Webmail
 - VPN
 - Helpdesk Portal
 - VMware Desktop
 - Lexmark Diagnostic Viewer
 - Other applications exposed to the Internet



Attacking a (municipality)









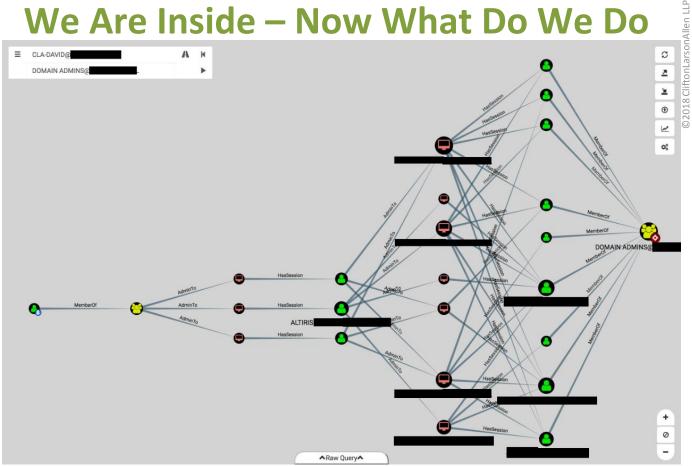
We Are Inside – Now What Do We Do

Internal network access... now what?

- Find sensitive information
 - Most employees have direct access to sensitive info
 - File shares and applications that are too open
- Elevate privileges
 - Often find administrative privilege issues
 - Abuse weak password policies

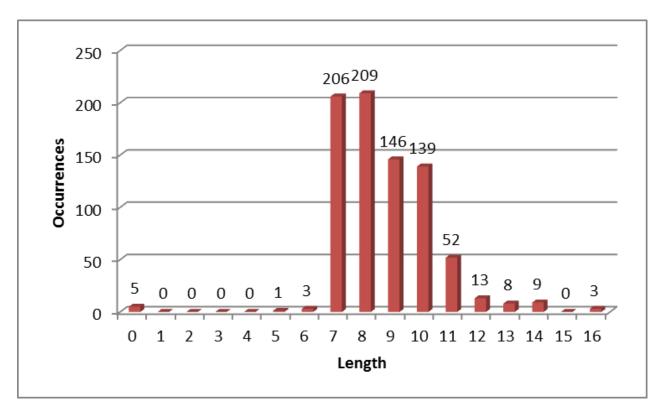


We Are Inside – Now What Do We Do





Password Cracking (I mean auditing...)





Password Cracking (I mean auditing...)

Password Audit	Total
Number of passwords audited	855
Passwords cracked	794
Passwords that were all letters	63
Passwords that were all numbers	5
Passwords that were an English word	20
Passwords that were a word with numbers appended to it	200
Passwords that were the same as the username	6
Passwords that do not meet Windows complexity	584





Strategies

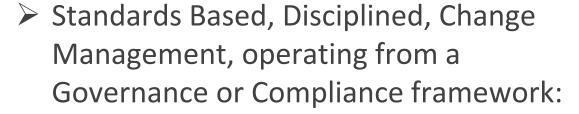
Our information security strategy should have the following objectives:

- Users who are aware and savvy
- Networks that are hardened and resistant to malware and attacks
- Resilience Capabilities: Monitoring, Incident Response, Testing, and Validation



Policies

- ➤ People, Rules and Tools
 - What do we expect to occur?
 - How do we conduct business?



- NIST
- PCI DSS
- CIS Critical Controls



PCI DSS – "Digital Dozen"

• PCI – DSS version 3.2

Build and Maintain a Secure Network and Systems	1. 2.	Install and maintain a firewall configuration to protect cardholder data Do not use vendor-supplied defaults for system passwords and other security parameters	
Protect Cardholder Data	3. 4.	Protect stored cardholder data Encrypt transmission of cardholder data across open, public networks	
Maintain a Vulnerability Management Program	5. 6.	Protect all systems against malware and regularly update anti-virus software or programs Develop and maintain secure systems and applications	
Implement Strong Access Control Measures	7. 8. 9.	,	
Regularly Monitor and Test Networks	10. 11.	Track and monitor all access to network resources and cardholder data Regularly test security systems and processes	
Maintain an Information Security Policy	12.	Maintain a policy that addresses information security for all personnel	



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Basic

- 1 Inventory and Control of Hardware Assets
- 2 Inventory and Control of Software Assets
- Continuous Vulnerability Management
- 4 Controlled Use of Administrative Privileges
- 5 Secure Configuration for Hardware and Software on Mobile Devices, Laptops, Workstations and Servers
- 6 Maintenance, Monitoring and Analysis of Audit Logs

Foundational

- 7 Email and Web Browser Protections
- 8 Malware Defenses
- 9 Limitation and Control of Network Ports, Protocols, and Services
- 10 Data Recovery Capabilities
- 11 Secure Configuration for Network Devices, such as Firewalls, Routers and Switches

- 12 Boundary Defense
- 13 Data Protection
- 14 Controlled Access Based on the Need to Know
- 15 Wireless Access Control
- 16 Account Monitoring and Control

Organizational

- 17 Implement a Security Awareness and Training Program
- 18 Application Software Security
- 19 Incident Response and Management
- 20 Penetration Tests and Red Team Exercises

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Defined Standards

CSC 3: Secure Configurations for Hardware and Software on Mobile Devices, Laptops, Workstations, and Servers

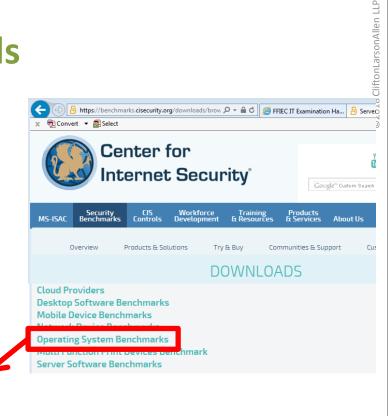
Establish, implement, and actively manage (track, report on, correct) the security configuration of laptops, servers, and workstations using a rigorous configuration management and change control process in order to prevent attackers from exploiting vulnerable services and settings.

Family	CSC	Control Description	Foun- dational	Advanced
System	3.1	Establish standard secure configurations of operating systems and software applications. Standardized images should represent hardened versions of the underlying operating system and the applications installed on the system. These images should be validated and refreshed on a regular basis to update their security configuration in light of recent vulnerabilities and attack vectors.	Y	
System	3.2	Follow strict configuration management, building a secure image that is used to build all new systems that are deployed in the enterprise. Any existing system that becomes compromised should be re-imaged with the secure build. Regular updates or exceptions to this image should be integrated into the organization's change management processes. Images should be created for workstations, servers, and other system types used by the organization.	Y	

Defined Standards

- Secure Standard Builds
- Hardening Checklists

- Microsoft Windows 10 Benchmarks
- Microsoft Windows Server 2000 Benchmarks
- Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Benchmarks
- Microsoft Windows Server 2008 Benchmarks
- Microsoft Windows Server 2012 Benchmarks
- Microsoft Windows 7 Benchmarks
- Microsoft Windows 8 Benchmarks
- Microsoft Windows NT Benchmarks
- Microsoft Windows XP Benchmarks





Operational Discipline

- Disciplined Change Management
- Consistent Exception Control & Documentation
 - Should include risk evaluation and acceptance of risk
 - Risk mitigation strategies
 - Expiration and re-analysis of risk acceptance



Vulnerability and Patch Management Standards

- Define your standard
 - ➤ How soon should critical updates be applied???
 - TWO Answers...



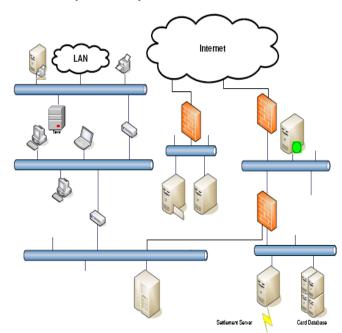
- Manage to your standard
- Document and manage your exceptions



Know Your Network Know What "Normal" Looks Like

Alignment of centralized audit logging, analysis, and automated alerting capabilities (SIEM) & DLP

- Infrastructure
- Servers & Applications
- Data Flows
- Archiving vs. Reviewing



System and Vulnerability Management and Monitoring

- Monitoring
 - System logs and application "functions"
 - Accounts
 - Key system configurations
 - Critical data systems/files
- Scanning
 - Patch Tuesday and vulnerability scanning
 - Rogue devices





Protect Against Email Phishing

- Harden email gateway (spam filter)
 - Block potentially malicious file attachments (e.g. ZIP, RAR, HTA, JAR)
 - Flag Office documents that contain Macros as suspicious
 - Prevent your organization's domain from being spoofed
 - ♦ Sender Policy Framework (SPF)
 - ♦ Custom rule to evaluate SMTP Letter FROM field
 - Flag emails that originate from the Internet
 - ⋄ E.g. Modify subject line to say 'External'



Protect Against Email Phishing

- Continue to Train Employees and Members
 - Train employees how to spot odd wire requests
 - Politely challenge the request and ask if it has been verified through proper channels (NOT email)
 - Provide educational material and training to business members
 - Provide sample policies/guidelines for organizations that don't have them
 - Oher that discuss cyber security
 - ♦ Explain simple controls to implement (limits, two-step/two-factor, etc.)
 - Make sure request is not authorized via email



Action Items

- Configure system auditing/logging
 - Understand and document logging capabilities
 - Ensure all systems are configured to log important information
 - Successful logins is just as important to log as failed logins
 - Retain logs for at least 1 year, longer is better

- Audit systems for default/weak passwords
 - Most systems have default passwords and they are all documented online
 - Don't overlook "simple" systems
 - ♦ E.g. Printers, IP cameras, etc.



Action Items

- Test backup systems
 - Periodically test backup systems to ensure you can recover from ransomware
 - Have IT perform a full, bare-metal recovery of main file share
 - Have IT document how long it takes to recover various files or systems







Action Items

- Validate that your expectations are being met for cybersecurity – TEST systems and people
 - Penetration Testing
 - ♦ Informed/White Box
 - Output
 Uninformed/Black Box
 - Social Engineering Testing
 - True Breach Simulation
 - ♦ Red Team/Blue Team



Questions?





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