

FISSEA

Security Awareness, Training, and Education

Contest

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Contest

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About IAM Security Center

The vision of the IAM Security Center is to provide the VA internet user community with information pertaining to Federal and departmental security relating to Identity and Access Management (IAM). Particular emphasis is on Federal and departmental directives, policies and handbooks, other VA IAM related organizations, and specific information pertaining to VA application systems Project Managers, Chief Information Officers, and Information Security Officers.

Did You Find What You Were Looking For?

Take this short survey to help us get to know you, so we can better serve you.

FICAM Compliance Checklist

This tool is designed to help SOCs (or designated email centers, systems, and applications are meeting FISMA controls through the use of VA's FICAM Services.

Policy Center

- Policy Alignment Map
- Policy Guide
- Publications
- Other Papers

Promotional Materials

- Posters and Factheets
- Videos
- SASK 902 Team T-shirt
- Digital Defense Gear

IAM Organization

View organization charts to see where IAM fits in.

Websites of Interest

Look here for links to related offices and programs in VA.

In the Spotlight



New Year's Resolutions

At the start of each year, people often set goals around living a healthier lifestyle, career advancement, or money saving. However, take a moment to consider that a large percentage of individuals spend a majority of their time "logged in" relying heavily on electronics for their day-to-day activities. So why not set goals around safeguarding our digital lives?

[View Poster](#)



Internet of Things

The Internet of Things (IoT) takes everyday objects that can connect to the Internet, be recognized by other devices, and send information to a database. It's make your work and personal life easier but also expose you to security risks.

[View Infographic](#)



Know Your... Posters

Knowledge is a major factor in preventing security incidents. Awareness and information sharing help establish a solid foundation and the security posture necessary to defend organizations against breach and attack.

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Phishing Infographic

SASK IAM provides information to help those on the frontline defend against malicious threats. One of the most prevalent forms of cyber attack is Phishing. Learn about the three types of phishing tactics that attackers may use to get sensitive information.

[View Infographic](#)



PIV Card Follow-up Posters

Keep informed on the VA-wide 2013 PIV Card initiative projects. If you have a PIV card expiring August 6, 2013, learn more about your two-month window of opportunity to get your card renewed.

[View Poster 1](#) | [View Poster 2](#) | [View Poster 3](#)



In Your PIV Card Expiring August 6, 2013!

Read the Credential Management PIV Newsletter for information on the PIV Card issuance process.

[Read Newsletter](#)



Phishing Poster

Successful phishing attacks could allow attackers improper access to VA networks and sensitive information. Protect yourself and Veterans. Don't get hooked by phishing attacks!

ISO - PO Locator

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OIS Portal

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Disaster Recovery & Contingency Planning (DRCP) Center of Excellence (CoE) Training Site

Training Modules

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Disaster Recovery & Contingency Planning (DRCP) Center of Excellence (CoE) Training Site

IHS has Information technology (IT) plans in place so that they can respond to and manage adverse situations involving IT. These plans should be maintained in a state of readiness, which should entail training personnel to fulfill their roles and responsibilities within the plan, exercising plans to validate their content, and testing systems and components to ensure operability in the specified environment. These three types of events can be carried out efficiently and effectively through the development and implementation of a test, training, and exercise (TT&E) program.

Test: Tests are evaluation tools that use quantifiable metrics to validate the operability of an IT system or system component in an operational environment specified in an IT plan. For example, an organization could test if call tree cascades can be executed within prescribed time limits; another test would be removing power from a system or system component.

A test is conducted in as close to an operational environment as possible. If feasible, an actual test of the components or systems used to conduct daily operations for the organization should be used. The scope of testing can range from individual system components or systems to comprehensive tests of all systems and components that support an IT plan. Tests often focus on recovery and backup operations; however, testing varies depending on the goal of the test and its relation to a specific IT plan.

Training: For the purposes of this publication, training refers only to informing personnel of their roles and responsibilities within a particular IT plan and teaching them skills related to those roles and responsibilities. Doing so prepares them for participation in exercises, tests, and actual emergency situations related to the IT plan.



Cybersecurity Awareness Program Home Page

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://intranet.ds.state.sbu/sites/cts/CMO/CO/PA/Awareness/SitePages/Home.aspx>. The browser tabs include "FISSEA Security Contest Info - ..." and "Awareness - Home". The page header features "Site Actions" and "Page" options. Below the header, there is a navigation menu with "Awareness" and "Home" links, and a secondary menu listing various departments: "Directorate of Cyber and Technology Security DS/CTS", "DS/CTS Front Office", "DS/CTS Policy Council", "Office of Cyber Monitoring and Operations", and "Office of Cyber Threat and Investigations".

Cybersecurity Awareness Program

The main content area is a grid of nine topic tiles, each with a circular icon and a text label:

- Attacks & Threats**: Icon of a shield with a crossed-out virus.
- Browsing & Shopping**: Icon of a padlock and a shopping cart.
- Email**: Icon of an envelope with a virus.
- Mobile Devices**: Icon of a smartphone with a padlock.
- Privacy**: Icon of a computer monitor with a padlock.
- Security at Home**: Icon of a house with a padlock.
- Security at Work**: Icon of a briefcase.
- Social Media**: Icon of three people in a network.
- Travel Security**: Icon of a globe with a padlock.

A left-hand sidebar contains the following sections:

- Surveys**
- News and Announcements**
- Bulletins**
- ICYMI**
- Notes**
- Policy Post-Its**
- Resources**
- Fact Sheets**
- Reference Guides**
- Videos**
- Posters**
- Web Banners**
- Spear Phishing Exercises**
- Spear Phishing Exercise Survey Results**
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- PS801 - Email at the Department**
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(USPS CISO)**

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**SECURITY
AWARENESS**





FRONT of T-Shirt



BACK of T-Shirt



PHISHING: DON'T TAKE THE BAIT



What is Phishing?

Phishing is the attempt to obtain sensitive information such as usernames, passwords, and financial details, often for malicious reasons, by disguising as a trustworthy entity in an electronic communication.

PHISHING TARGETS



MONEY



BANKING AND
CREDIT CARD INFO



PII-PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE
INFORMATION



PASSWORDS



Be cautious about opening
attachments or clicking on
links in emails (even from
your contacts).

Do not respond to any emails
that request personal or
financial information. Phishers
use pressure tactics and prey on
fear.



Dear User,
Check your [account](#)



Hover over links to verify the
link's actual destination, even if
it is from a trusted source.

<https://auth.launchpad.nasa.com>
Ctrl+Click to follow link

Don't Click- it's
a fake site!

Backup your files regularly to
protect yourself against virus or
ransomware attack.



STOP.THINK.CONNECT.

IDENTITY THEFT PROTECTION TIPS

DID YOU KNOW:

50% of American adults (110 million) had their personal information exposed by cybercriminals in 2015 alone.



Identity theft has been at the top of the Federal Trade Commission's Top Consumer Complaints list for 15 years in a row.

2/3

of Americans (65 percent) who use the Internet received at least one online scam offer during 2013.

HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF:

Be careful on public wifi networks. 

Do not use online banking, check work email, or access any other sensitive information while on public wifi.



Limit card use during travel.

It's best to limit card use when traveling outside of the US.

Be careful shopping online. 

Pay with an online wallet i.e. Paypal to eliminate credit card fraud risks.



Guard your information online.

Set strong passwords and change them periodically.
Set up banking and fraud alerts. Use two factor authorization when available.



Shred sensitive documents.

Do not throw out sensitive documents in the mail without shredding such as bank statements, documents with PII, etc.



Monitor your bank and credit card statements.

TOP METHODS OF STOLEN IDENTITY ARE:



STOLEN
WALLET/PURSE



STOLEN SOCIAL
SECURITY NUMBER



STOLEN MAIL

Motivational Item Winner!

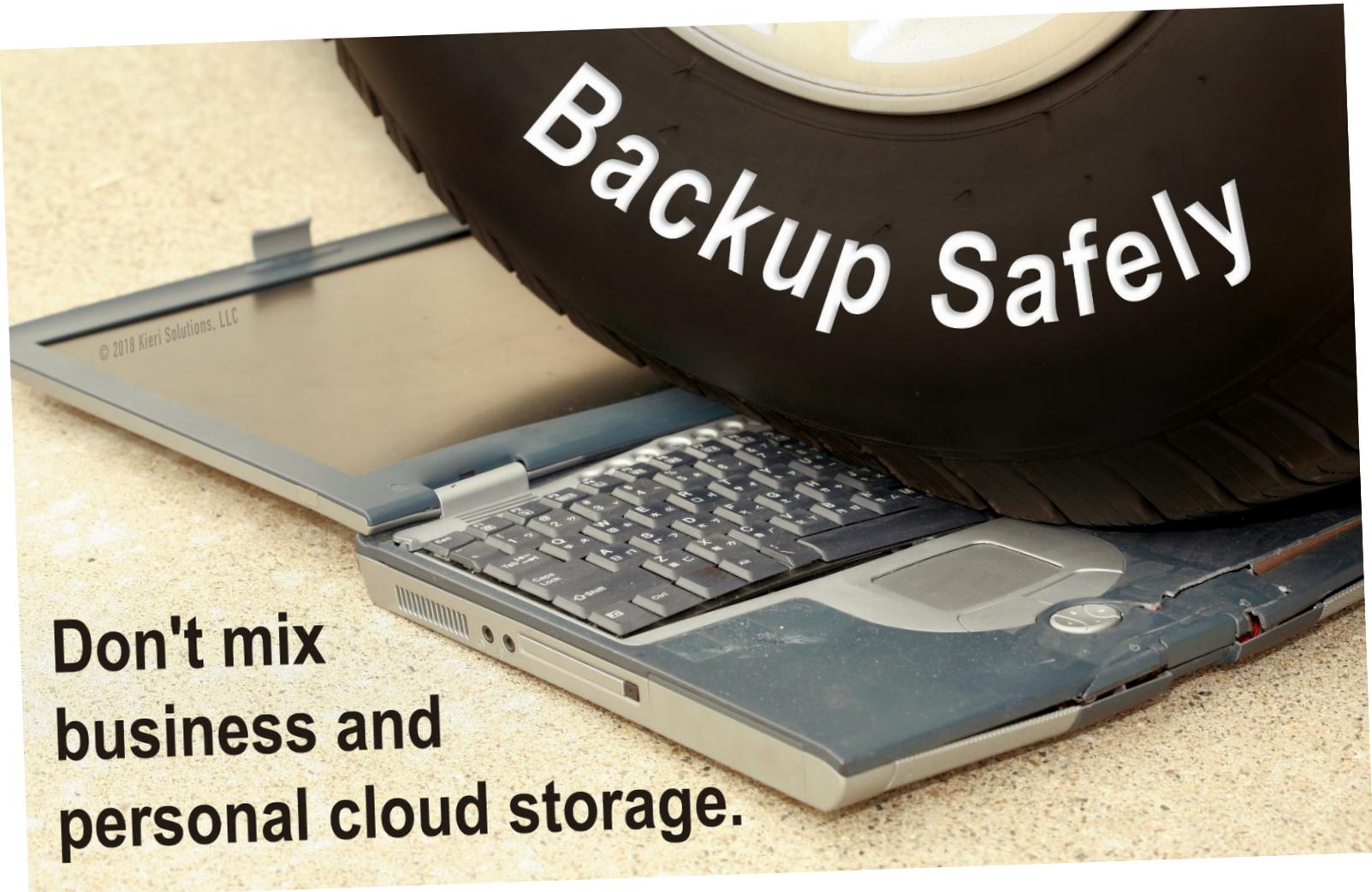
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Amira Armond, G. Mark Hardy, &
Bryan Walthall

Organization:
Native Intelligence, Inc.

**SECURITY
AWARENESS**



Poster Entries (15)

A photograph of a silver laptop lying on a light-colored, textured surface. A large, black, treaded tire is positioned over the laptop, appearing to crush it. The text "Backup Safely" is written in white, bold, sans-serif font across the tire. In the bottom left corner, there is a warning message in black text. On the inside of the laptop lid, the text "© 2018 Kieri Solutions, LLC" is visible.

Backup Safely

**Don't mix
business and
personal cloud storage.**

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VA Cloud Computing IAM Services Impact Analysis



CLOUD COMPUTING
A model for enabling ubiquitous, convenient, on-demand network access to a shared pool of configurable computing resources that can be rapidly provisioned and released with minimal management effort or service provider interaction.*

TEN STEPS TO ENSURE SUCCESS²

- 1 | Ensure effective governance, risk and compliance processes exist.
- 2 | Audit operational and business processes.
- 3 | Manage people, roles and identities.
- 4 | Ensure proper protection of data and information.
- 5 | Enforce privacy policies.
- 6 | Assess the security provisions for cloud applications.
- 7 | Ensure cloud networks and connections are secure.
- 8 | Evaluate security controls on physical infrastructure and facilities.
- 9 | Manage security terms in the cloud service agreement.
- 10 | Understand the security requirements of the exit process.

CLOUD SERVICE MODELS



RISKS¹



- Verify security control mapping of IAM Services associated security control requirements align with FISMA/ISAC Cloud Service Provider (CSP) identified controls.
- Ensure the VA establishes a HIPAA-compliant business associate agreement (BAA) with the respective CSP. VA should determine a list of requirements that go into every BAA established with the CSPs.
- Review and verify the RiskVision Questionnaire to ensure suitable challenge questions are present for applications utilizing cloud services.

Read the [VA Cloud Computing IAM Services Impact Analysis](#) or visit the [Security Center](#) for more information.

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PHISHING

SECURITY BREECHES

RISKY
UPLOADS

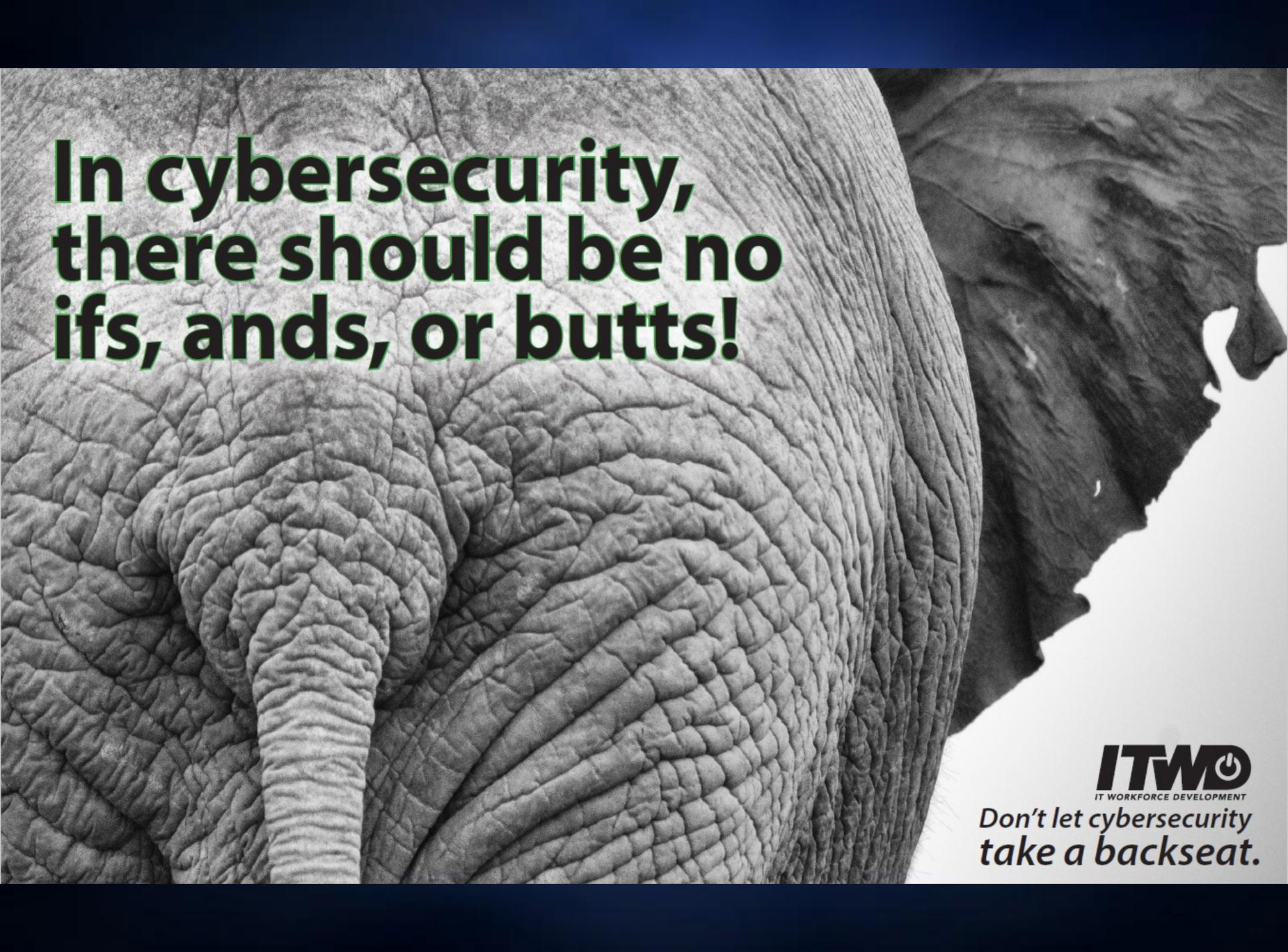


BEWARE THE BOGEYMAN

TAILGATING
MALWARE

UNSECURED DATA

At IFDS, information security is everyone's responsibility. Don't get "**Busted by Bogey**".



**In cybersecurity,
there should be no
ifs, ands, or butts!**

ITWD
IT WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

*Don't let cybersecurity
take a backseat.*

Don't Get Tricked!



Think Before You Click

Use these best practices to identify and avoid phishing attacks:

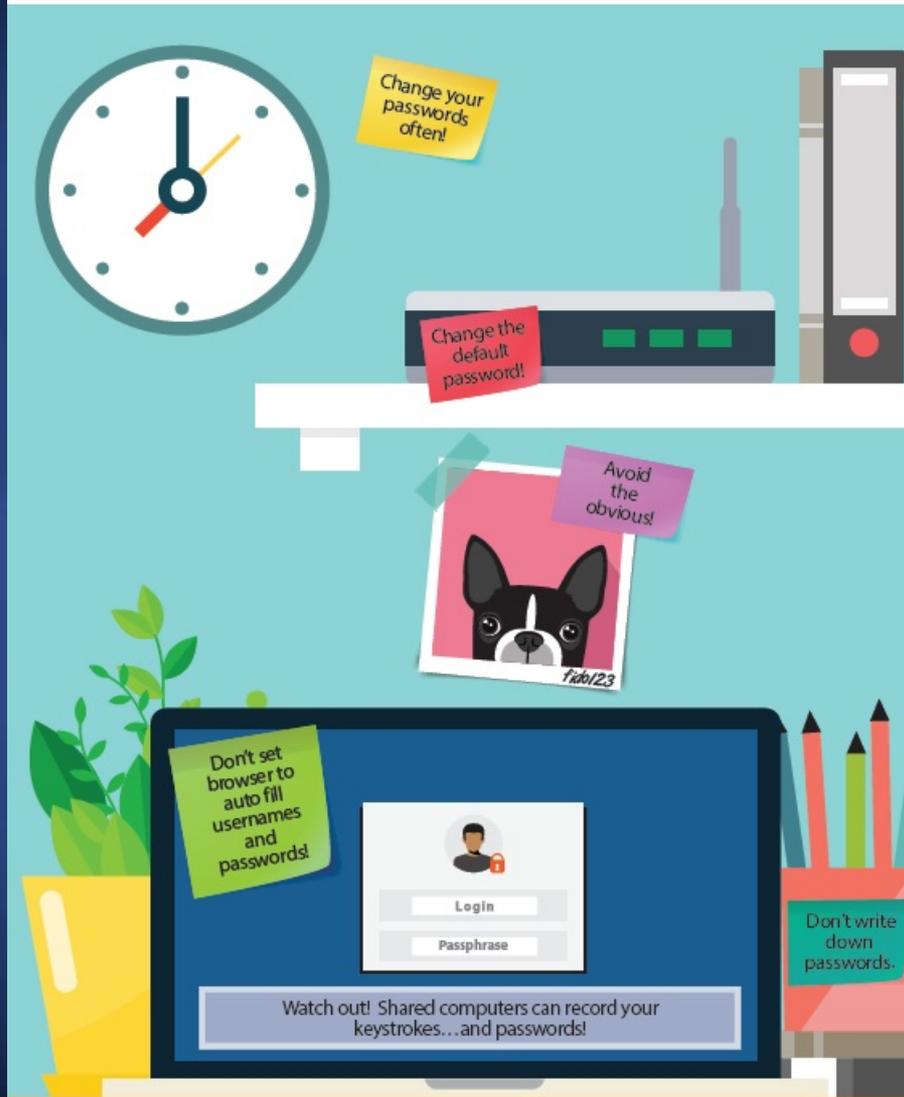
- Slow down and analyze your email messages.
- Be cautious when opening unsolicited email messages.
- Before clicking a link, hover over it on a desktop or hold it for several seconds on a mobile device to preview the true destination of a link.
- If you were not expecting an email with an attachment, don't open it until you are certain that it is harmless.
- Never give out your password to anyone! ED Customer Service Desk staff, ED IT Systems Help Desk staff, and other legitimate personnel from your organization, will never ask you for your password.

To report spear phishing attacks or if you think you may have opened an attachment in a spear phishing email, notify the EDSOC at [redacted] or [redacted] and notify your Information System Security Officer (ISSO) as soon as possible.



Strong Passwords

The strongest password you can make is a passphrase that's memorable to you - and nobody else!
Follow CyberCARE's tips to protect your sensitive information.



There are more CyberCARE Tips at:
<https://intranet.hhs.gov/security/cyber-care.html>

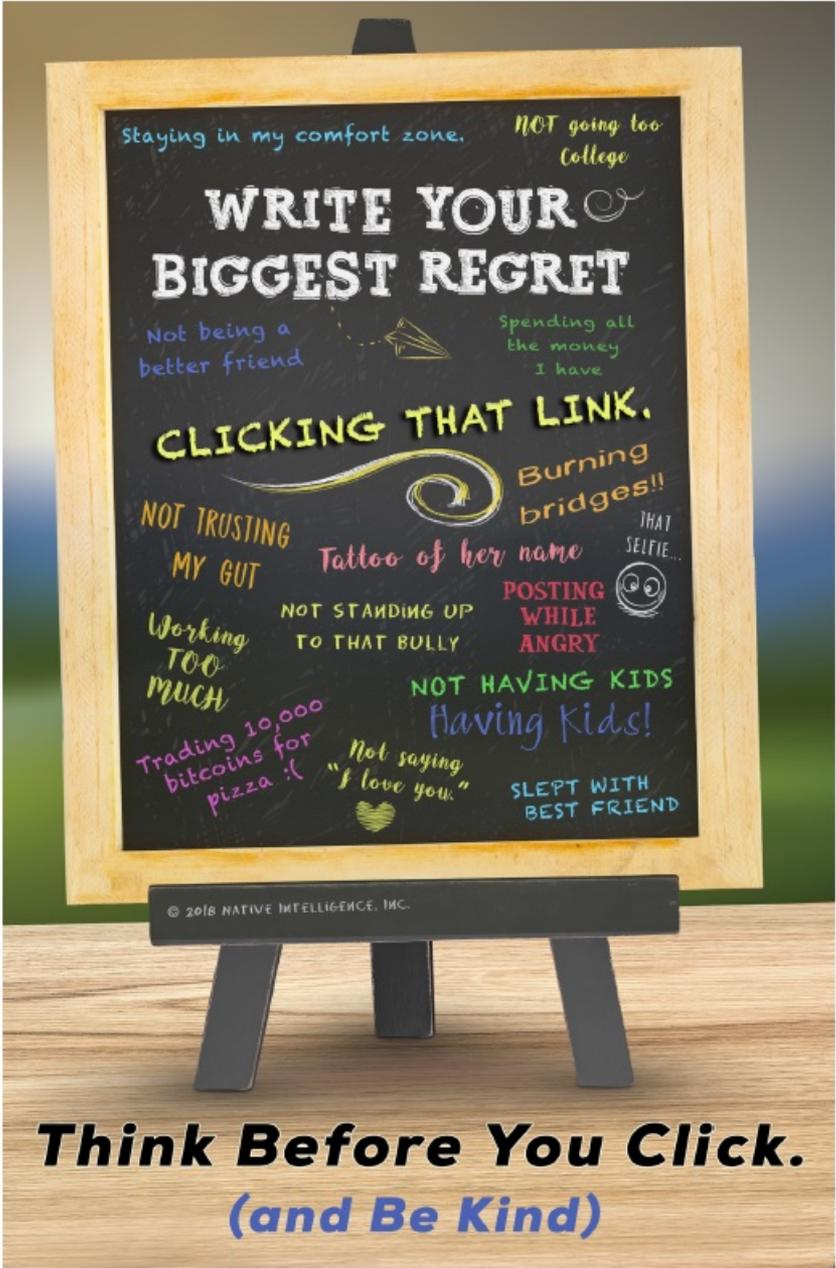


Are you the only one tracking your run?



When using fitness trackers, mobile devices, and other apps with geotagging, remember you may be broadcasting more than you realize.





Staying in my comfort zone.

NOT going too
College

WRITE YOUR BIGGEST REGRET

Not being a
better friend



Spending all
the money
I have

CLICKING THAT LINK.

NOT TRUSTING
MY GUT

Tattoo of her name

Burning
bridges!!

THAT
SELFIE...



NOT STANDING UP
TO THAT BULLY

POSTING
WHILE
ANGRY

Working
TOO
MUCH

NOT HAVING KIDS
Having Kids!

Trading 10,000
bitcoins for
pizza :(

Not saying
"I love you."

SLEPT WITH
BEST FRIEND

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Think Before You Click. (and Be Kind)

CMS CYBERSECURITY IS LOOKIN' NICE

Strengthening CYBERSECURITY with the NICE Framework

The *NEW* 2018 Cybersecurity and Privacy Training Catalog now includes training opportunities mapped to the **NICE** (National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education) Framework.



How does NICE help you?

NICE describes cybersecurity work roles. These are now mapped to the Training Catalog. This makes it easier to find role-based cybersecurity training and education programs.



What are NICE Categories?

There are seven categories within the framework comprised of specialty areas and work roles. Look for the categories in the Training Catalog and in future training opportunities at CMS.



OVERSEE
AND
GOVERN

OPERATE
AND
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AND
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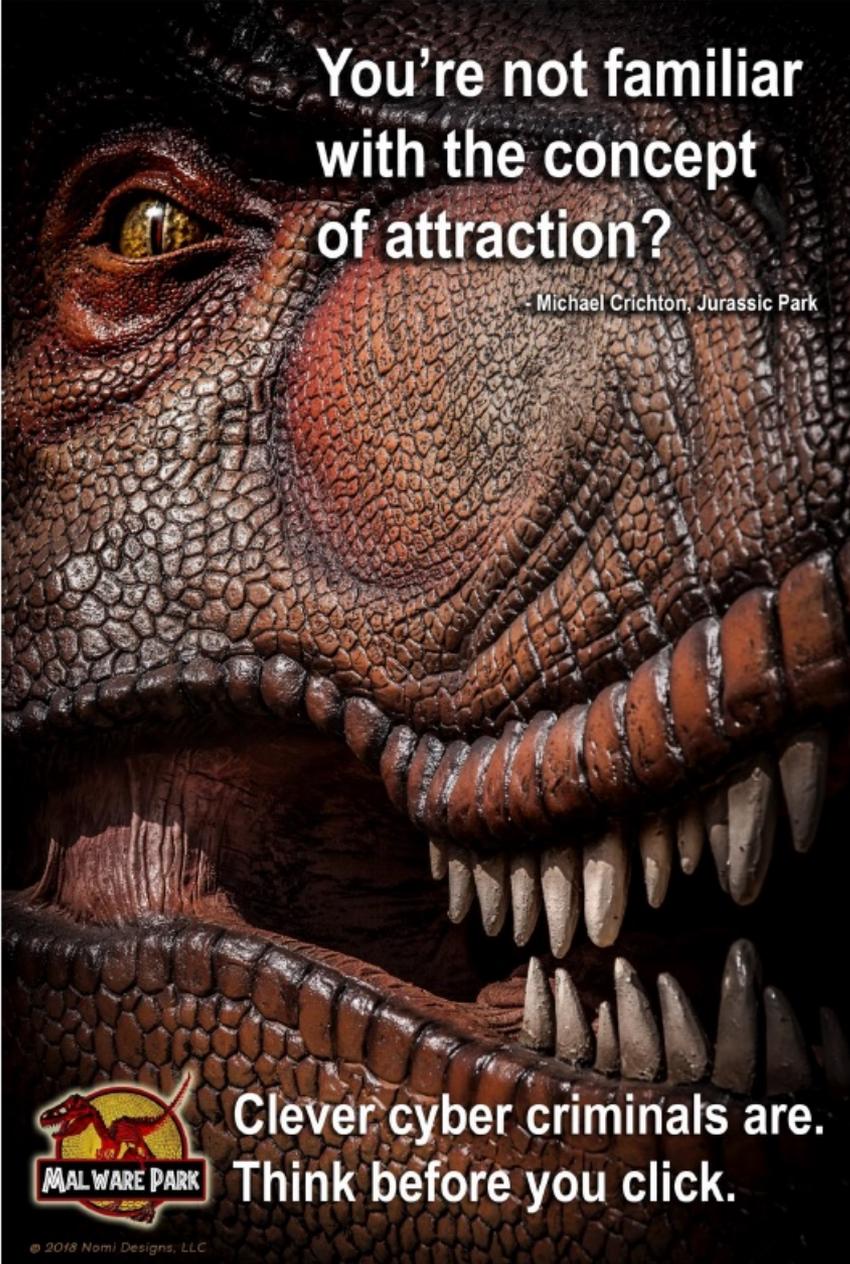
SECURELY
PROVISION

PROTECT
AND
DEFEND



*Armed with the right knowledge,
we'll be better equipped to secure CMS.*

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**You're not familiar
with the concept
of attraction?**

- Michael Crichton, Jurassic Park



**Clever cyber criminals are.
Think before you click.**



CyberSafe
at USPS®

Separate for Security

NEVER

Never connect your personal or work devices to USPS computers, equipment or networks.



MOBILE PHONES • TABLETS • WEARABLE TECHNOLOGY • HEADPHONES • HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT • WI-FI ENABLED TOYS AND GADGETS



KEEP USPS NETWORKS SAFE

If you need to charge a device,
use an outlet.



Stop and Think, before you Connect.



Report suspicious emails to CSOC immediately by selecting the email(s) and clicking the Report to CyberSafe button in the Outlook toolbar. For all other information security incidents, email cybersafe@usps.gov.



DO NOT open or download
when emails says **X**

'you won lottery'

'fund for you'

'your legal hairs sent money'

'send me your account details'

'free for you to try'

'ransom requested'

'transferred money to your account'

'here is data you requested'

'mail from bank asking for personal info'

'mail from unknown entity asking personal info'

Simple Rules to Keep your Systems & Network

Safe



DO open or download
emails only if **✓**

'do not pose security risks/challenges'

'Pay attention to 'from domain' in email'

'you trust sender'

'you think relevant for you/your business'

'email does not sound creepy'

*'do not click on link in email unless you are
sure it is safe to do so'*

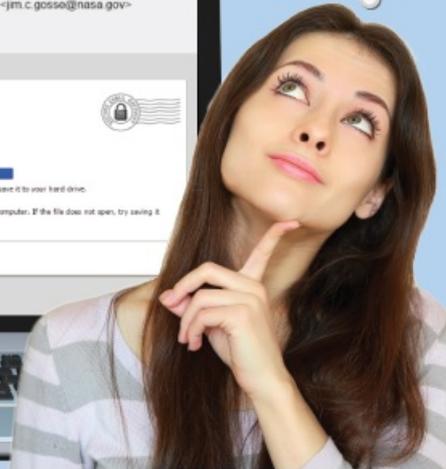
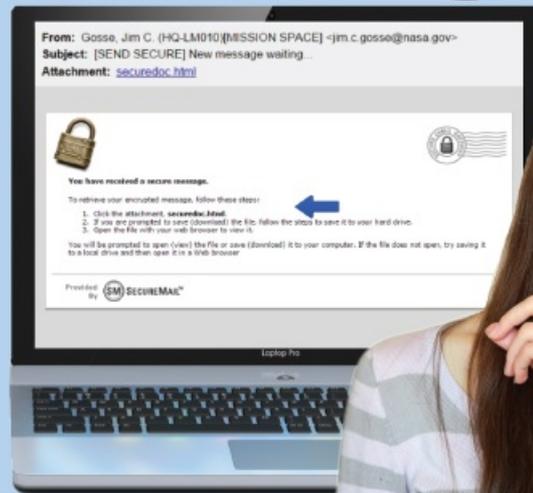
'be careful opening large attachment'

**Security is always important, Say
NO to Spam, Spoofing, Phishing,
Junk, Ransomware, Data breaches
or unsolicited emails**



Phishful Thinking

Should I open
this attachment?



DON'T

- Open email from unknown sources
- Enter personal information
- Enter system credentials

DO

- Examine the sender's email address
- Move mouse over links to determine validity
- Report emails to soc@nasa.gov immediately

IF A LINK LOOKS PHISHY, DON'T OPEN IT!

Phishing is a form of social engineering in which cyber criminals trick people into providing personal information by pretending to be someone they are not.

Learn more:



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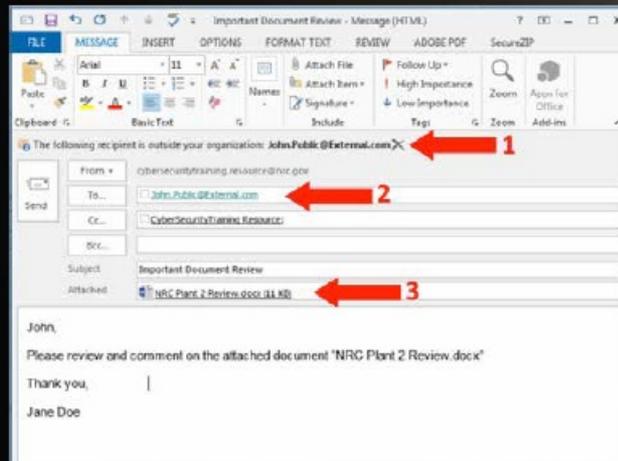


CLICK WITH CARE

The Microsoft Outlook Auto-Complete feature provides you with a list of suggested recipients based on the first letter or two you enter into the To, CC, or BCC field in an email. Be aware: you may accidentally choose the wrong recipient and send sensitive data to the wrong individual.

Outlook has features intended to reduce the risk of sending email to unwanted external recipients. Demonstrated in the email below are some of these features and indicators you should be aware of:

1. Warning indicator that the sender is external to the NRC
2. External recipient address in a different color (blue) than the internal address below it (black)
3. Ensure your attachment is correct.



We are all accountable for managing
sensitive information

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Poster Winner!

Office of Information Technology

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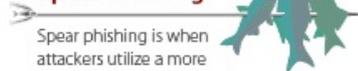


Security Architecture Software Assurance (SASA) Identity and Access Management (IAM) provides information designed to help those on the frontline defend against malicious threats. One of the most prevalent forms of cyber-attack is ... Phishing.

Phishing attacks seek personal information from an individual or company by posing as a trustworthy organization or entity. Attackers often use email, sending messages to users that appear to be from an institution, or company with which the individual has familiarity.

Below is information on three different forms of phishing, and tips on how to reduce your vulnerabilities.

Spear Phishing



Spear phishing is when attackers utilize a more targeted and personalized approach to increase chances of fooling recipients. Attackers will gather publicly available information on targets such as their name, position, company, work phone number or other information to trick the recipient into believing that they have a connection with the sender.

Typically hackers will target individuals whose roles and responsibilities require important network and system access, simply put... those who may have the "keys to the kingdom".

Example: An example of this is reaching out to Network and Security Operations Center (NSOC) personnel by posing as an organization of interest or close affiliation like NIST. Hackers can easily find government organization charts and the identities of key personnel through an online search.

Whale Phishing

Whaling, or whale phishing, is a kind of phishing attack where hackers target "big fish" typically executives and high profile end users, using social-engineering tactics to trick them into divulging highly valuable or competitive information.

Example: An example of this would be emailing cabinet secretaries or members of congress using the presidential seal, or letterhead template, which can be easily found through a simple google search.



Water Hole Phishing

Water hole phishing is when an attacker targets a website typically frequented by the individuals they're trying to exploit. By infecting the website, visitors can inadvertently get infected without even knowing it.

Example: Hackers might infect a site they know government employees view as reputable such as Health and Human Services (HHS) or Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS).

Help spread the word about the importance of phishing prevention by downloading and sharing our [SASA IAM Anti-Phishing posters and infographic](#).

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WEEK 2

Cybersecurity in the Business Section

The IHS Explainer

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NATIONAL CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

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2017 IN REVIEW

HEALTHCARE BREACHES

The healthcare sector has a lot of information that can be valuable to criminals and thus it is an attractive target. Healthcare organizations often have personal information that criminals can use for traditional financial fraud -- things like names and Social Security numbers. Such organizations also have health insurance information, which can be more valuable because malicious actors can use it to commit medical fraud such as obtaining free medical care, purchasing medical equipment, or acquiring payment for fraudulent services.

Many breaches were in the news in 2017, which resulted from exposed websites, unencrypted storage drives, and users falling for phishing schemes.

This article highlights some of the largest healthcare breaches that occurred in 2017 and some key points that will help you do your part to make sure Indian Health Service (IHS) is safeguarding patients' information so we don't make the news for the wrong reasons!

RANSOMWARE. The Women's Health Care Group of Pennsylvania notified 300,000 patients that a ransomware attack had put their personal health information at risk. The clinic discovered in May that a server and workstation located at one of its offices had been "infected by a virus designed to block access to system files."

IHS Tips. Early warning signs of a potential malware infection include: emails, text messages, or other types of peer-to-peer messages indicating



you won something or owe a payment; computers running slower than usual; and unusual or new types of pop-up windows showing up.

PHISHING ATTACK. UC Davis Health notified 15,000 patients of a security breach after an employee fell prey to an email phishing scam and disclosed login credentials. The cybercriminal used these credentials to send emails to other staff members and requested bank transfers for large sums of money.

IHS Tips. Think before you click! Hover over links that you are unsure of before clicking on them, and pay attention to the website's URL. A malicious website may look identical to a legitimate site, but the URL may use a variation in spelling or a different domain (e.g., .com versus .net). Phishers like to use scare tactics and may threaten to disable an account or delay services until you update certain information.

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It takes more than luck to secure our information.

March 2018

Partner Security

In 2017, hackers breached the Amazon accounts of several third-party vendors using stolen credentials to post fake deals and steal cash. Other examples of well-publicized breaches involving third-party attacks include:

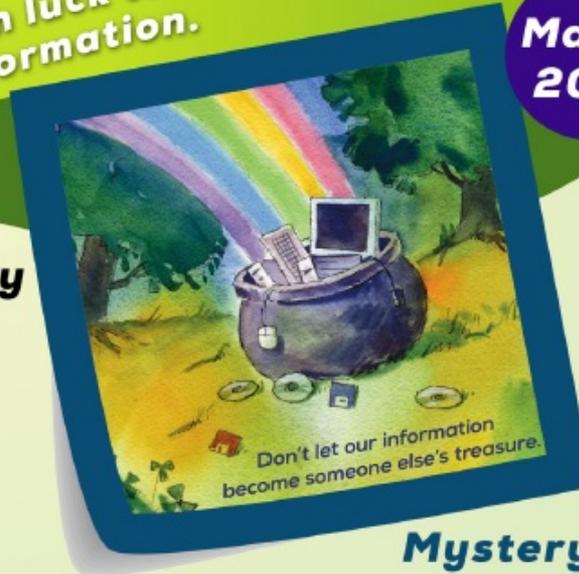
Target, which was attacked through an HVAC contractor.

Medical Informatics Engineering, whose investigation showed NoMoreClipboard, a subsidiary, was using a legacy system with inadequate network and application security, open to SQL injections.

Home Depot, where criminals used a third-party vendor's user name and password to enter the perimeter of Home Depot's network, and then acquired elevated rights that allowed them to deploy unique, custom-built malware on its self-checkout systems in the US and Canada.

Boston Medical Center, which fired third-party vendor MDF Transcription after the company posted health records and demographic data of 15,000 patients to the vendor's website with no password protection.

“Never say anything on the phone that you wouldn't want your mother to hear at your trial.”
— Sydney Biddle Barrows



3 Actions

If your job involves third-party vendors, you can help secure the data.

- Document who handles your data, how it's maintained, and where it travels throughout its lifecycle.
- Ask third party vendors how they are protecting your data. Use a business agreement with vendors that details the types of security measures the vendor must use when handling your data. Include an independent audit clause that verifies the vendor's compliance with specific security protocols.
- Engage your IT support early in the project to validate secure data connections and information storage.

Mystery

Methodist Hospital in Henderson, Kentucky declared an "internal state of emergency," shut down all hospital desktop computers, and reverted to paper-based procedures.

How did this happen?

Send your answer, with a suggestion for how to prevent such a breach to Security. Your answer enters you in a drawing for a fabulous prize.

Security Analogy

Robbery is illegal, but people still find it prudent to lock doors and close windows in their homes; so too must we lock up our information systems.

We want to hear from you!
security_contact@your.org

Spotlight: Practice Cybersafe Shopping this Holiday Season!



Online shopping is one very convenient way to find the perfect gift for everyone on your list this holiday season – but did you know that online shopping can put you at risk of a cyberattack? Make sure that you know the risks and are practicing your cybersafe shopping habits!

Cyberattackers target online shoppers in many ways, including fake website and email scams, hacking vulnerable computers, and intercepting financial information when a vendor's webpage is not

encrypted. Be sure that you are shopping safely online by sticking to the following tips:

- 1) **Only shop at reputable vendors:** When in doubt, do your research by checking the vendor's reputation with the Better Business Bureau
- 2) **Make sure that websites are encrypted:** Before you share any personal or financial information, check that the website's URL begins with "https" rather than "http" to make sure a website is encrypted
- 3) **Don't respond to emails requesting personally identifiable information:** Legitimate businesses won't request information this way
- 4) **Use a credit card instead of a debit card:** Credit cards often offer additional protections against fraud in case you are the victim of a cyberattack
- 5) **Avoid shopping on public computers:** Shop on your personal computer using a secure internet connection to avoid making your information vulnerable

For more tips, check out additional [guidance from CyberSafe at USPS®](#)

Watch the "Report to CyberSafe" Video!

CIO Kristin Seaver narrated a short video, available on [Blue](#), on the Report to CyberSafe Outlook button. The animated video emphasizes the importance of protecting the Postal Service, its employees and customers by reporting suspicious emails using the new button. Be sure to watch the video to learn more!



Learn New Terms in the Cybersecurity Glossary

To further improve CISO's cyber fluency, here a few more cybersecurity terms that start with the letter I.



I is for...

- **Inorganic growth** is growth in the operations of a business that arises from mergers or takeovers, rather than an increase in the company's own business activity. Firms that choose to grow inorganically can gain access to new markets and fresh ideas that become available through successful mergers and acquisitions
- **Insider Threat** is a current or former employee, contractor, or other business partner who has or had authorized access to an organization's network, system, or data and intentionally exceeded or misused that access in a manner that negatively affected the confidentiality, integrity, or availability of the organization's information or information systems
- **Internet Protocol Security (IPsec)** uses cryptographic security services to protect communications over Internet Protocol (IP) networks. IPsec supports network-level peer authentication, data origin authentication, data integrity, data confidentiality (encryption), and replay protection
- **Intrusion** is an incident of unauthorized access to a network or device
- **Intrusion detection** is a security management system for computers and networks that gathers and analyzes information to identify possible security breaches, which include both intrusions from outside the organization and misuse within the organization
- **IT Security** is preservation of confidentiality, integrity and availability of information; in addition, other properties such as authenticity, accountability, non-repudiation and reliability can also be involved.

Stay tuned for "K" and "L" cybersecurity terms in the next edition!

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CISO Mission

The mission of the Corporate Information Security Office (CISO) is to support and protect the United States Postal Service (Postal Service) and its employees, information, technology assets and customers, by:

- 1) Detecting, preventing, and responding to cybercrime and misuse of our information technology assets,
- 2) Participating in the investigation of violations of laws that defend the nation's mail system from cybercrime and misuse,
- 3) Coordinating the enforcement of those laws.

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BLUETOOTH HACK AFFECTS 20 MILLION HOME DEVICES

**Article Source: Symantec*



A series of recently disclosed critical Bluetooth flaws that affect billions of Android, iOS, Windows and Linux devices have now been discovered in millions of Artificial Intelligence (AI) -based voice-activated personal assistants, including Google Home and Amazon Echo. The name of this sophisticated attack is BlueBorne and it is exploiting a total of eight Bluetooth implementation vulnerabilities.

As estimated during the discovery of this devastating threat, several Internet of Things (IoT) and smart devices whose operating systems are often updated less frequently than smartphones and desktops are also vulnerable to BlueBorne. The IoT security firm who initially discovered this issue has now disclosed that an estimated 20 million Amazon Echo and Google Home devices are also vulnerable to attacks leveraging the BlueBorne vulnerabilities. Read more about this at: <https://thehackernews.com/2017/11/amazon-alexa-hacking-bluetooth.html>

WHY PRIVACY OF INFORMATION IS SO IMPORTANT

In today's world, most people are digitally connected and must think about safety and security both on and offline. Personal devices make it easier to connect to the world around us, but these tools also store a substantial amount of personal information regarding users and their habits. Invariably, personal devices are targets for cybercriminals.

Human mistakes account for the vast majority of information security incidents and data breaches. Some of the biggest risks are people putting data where it doesn't belong, not following policies, losing portable electronic devices containing data, and falling for phishing and social engineering schemes.

The success of NASA's missions and objectives are contingent upon how effectively everyone does their part in securing information and information systems. It is important to follow NASA policies and guidelines and remain vigilant with your security habits both at work and at home.

NASA privacy policies are available on NASA's Online Directives Information System (NODIS at <https://nodis3.gsfc.nasa.gov/>) and NASA's privacy handbooks are available on the Office of the Chief Information Officer Documents website (https://nodis-dms.gsfc.nasa.gov/NASA_Wide/restricted_directives/OCIO/OCIO_list.cfm).



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Information Security Awareness Phishing Attempts using Email

Be Aware - Don't Open. Don't Download. Don't Forward.

Don't compromise DHS information or its computer systems by falling for a phishing attack e.g., opening an email, clicking on a link, or downloading a file attachment from someone posing as a reputable source. Most phishing emails seem legitimate and appear to come from a known source by spoofing the header and email addresses however; you must stay vigilant and avoid these common pitfalls ...

Don't Open.



Avoid opening emails or embedded email hyperlinks from known or unknown sources – they should they should be deleted immediately!

Don't Download.



Avoid downloading unexpected email attachments embedded in suspicious emails – they should be deleted immediately!

Don't Forward.



Avoid responding to & forwarding suspicious emails from known or unknown sources to others – when in doubt, contact the DHS HQ CIRT team!

Report any suspicious activity or a potential incident to DHS HQ IT:



1-800-250-7911



ITSupport@hq.dhs.gov

To report phishing attempts notify:



DHSspam@hq.dhs.gov

Can you identify the clues in this phishing email example?

From: ITSupport <aaltes@hq.dhs.com>

Subject: Please verify your email address

Thank you for contacting the DHS help desk. In order to better serves you, we must verify your email address. For your protection, this email is being sent to you via secured email.

Instructions:

Click of the link below.

From the verification page, enter your contact information to confirm your identities.

Next, click the submit button which will send us the confirmation that your verification has been submitted.

Secured email access: [Verify your account here](#)

Please be aware that if you do not complete this verification in 3 days, your account will be deleted from our system.

If you think you are a victim of a phishing attack, contact DHS HQ CIRT:



RMDISBIncidentResponse@hq.dhs.gov

If you have additional questions regarding the "Be Aware" Program, contact:



NPPDITSecurityTraining@hq.dhs.gov

Answers to email example: mismatched name with an invalid email address, several misspellings, embedded email hyperlink is a caution!

Newsletter Winner!

Robert Cunningham

Organization:

Department of Veterans Affairs



Phishing



Security Architecture Software Assurance (SASA) Identity and Access Management (IAM) provides information designed to help those on the frontline defend against malicious threats. One of the most prevalent forms of cyber-attack is ... Phishing.

Phishing attacks seek personal information from an individual or company by posing as a trustworthy organization or entity. Attackers often use email, sending messages to users that appear to be from an institution, or company with which the individual has familiarity.

Below is information on three different forms of phishing, and tips on how to reduce your vulnerabilities.

Spear Phishing

Spear phishing is when attackers utilize a more targeted and personalized approach to increase chances of fooling recipients. Attackers will gather publicly available information on targets such as their name, position, company, work phone number or other information to trick the recipient into believing that they have a connection with the sender.

Typically hackers will target individuals whose roles and responsibilities require important network and system access, simply put... those who may have the "keys to the kingdom".

Example: An example of this is reaching out to Network and Security Operations Center (NSOC) personnel by posing as an organization of interest or close affiliation like NIST. Hackers can easily find government organization charts and the identities of key personnel through an online search.



Whale Phishing

Whaling, or whale phishing, is a kind of phishing attack where hackers target "big fish" typically executives and high profile end users, using social-engineering tactics to trick them into divulging highly valuable or competitive information.

Example: An example of this would be emailing cabinet secretaries or members of congress using the presidential seal, or letterhead template, which can be easily found through a simple google search.



Water Hole Phishing

Water hole phishing is when an attacker targets a website typically frequented by the individuals they're trying to exploit. By infecting the website, visitors can inadvertently get infected without even knowing it.

Example: Hackers might infect a site they know government employees view as reputable such as Health and Human Services (HHS) or Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS).

Help spread the word about the importance of phishing prevention by downloading and sharing our SASA IAM Anti-Phishing posters and infographic.



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Office of Information and Technology
Cyber Security

Prevention "How to spot a phishing"

Phishing is most often initiated through email, but can come in other forms of communication. Regardless of the method, there are ways to distinguish suspicious items from those that are legitimate. Training employees on how to recognize these malicious attacks is one of the most fundamental steps to data protection. The following may be indicators that an email or website is a phishing attempt rather than an authentic form of communication.

1. First consider the obvious, if the email is part of a thread there is a low risk that it's malicious
2. Look at the sender address; you can usually double click to check if the address looks correct
3. Check for any misspelling or grammatical errors
4. Hover your mouse over linked items to check their link address
5. Do not open attachments but right click them and save in a "test" folder, then right click and look at the "properties" for inconsistencies; or after right clicking "open" in a text editor like note pad



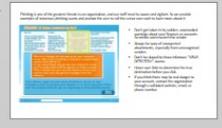
DON'T TAKE THE BAIT!

Prevent a phishing attack by using caution when opening suspicious emails.



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Take Away: By prompting trainees to take action to learn more, we engage their minds through hands-on exploration.

Cybersecurity Awareness Interactive Module

IHS wants to involve all personnel in the conversation about IT security, so we designed the interactive module with effective delivery of content in mind, and a goal of making security lessons meaningful to everyone. This module gives trainees the opportunity to stop sitting there watching, and start participating.

Trainees are prompted to use their mouse to roll over images or click on screen elements to get answers and further explore content.

Recurring quizzes throughout the presentation keep them engaged by periodically compelling them to think about what they're viewing and make practical sense of it.

Someone you know has sent you warm wishes for this Autumn season!

You've received a very special Autumn eCard from someone you know. Click the link below to reveal your eCard, and to send an eCard of your own!

See your eCard



This e-mail was automatically generated by the system associated with this e-mail address. Please do not reply to this e-mail. This e-mail was generated by the system associated with this e-mail address. Please do not reply to this e-mail.

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Awareness Training Delivered

To provide an efficient and effective learning experience, when an individual clicks a link in an e-mail attachment, they are presented with an awareness training module. This module includes information on the email use of Department approved training resources and provides targeted awareness training. The awareness training provides information on how to identify spear phishing emails and reduce the risk to the Department's network, systems, and operational information.



ATTENTION:

This is an awareness training module generated by the Colorado Department of Information Security. It is not intended to be used as a phishing email. If you are unable to view this e-mail, please contact your system administrator for assistance.

Current Events and Spearhead Phishing

Spear phishing is not specific to one name, one location or one job. This can be done by anyone, anywhere, at any time, on any device, using any technology.

Without fail, spear phishing attacks involve a combination of social engineering and technical skills. Spear phishing attacks are often highly targeted and can be very effective. Spear phishing attacks are often highly targeted and can be very effective. Spear phishing attacks are often highly targeted and can be very effective.



Keeping the following tips in mind may help you spot a phishing attempt:

- Suspicious requests: Be wary of emails or messages that request sensitive information or require the use of a credit card.
- Urgent requests: Be wary of emails or messages that request immediate action.
- Requests for sensitive information: Be wary of emails or messages that request sensitive information.
- Requests for payment: Be wary of emails or messages that request payment.
- Requests for login information: Be wary of emails or messages that request login information.

What should you do if you suspect you have been targeted by a phishing attempt?

If you think you may have been targeted by a phishing attempt, do not click on any links, do not provide any sensitive information, and do not reply to the email. If you are unsure, contact your system administrator for assistance.

Awareness Training – Follow Up

The Department's goal is to reduce the number of personnel who fall victim to phishing attacks. To measure the number of personnel who fall victim to spear phishing attacks, and reduce the number of systems affected, the Department is conducting a follow-up awareness training module. This module includes information on the email use of Department approved training resources and provides targeted awareness training. The awareness training provides information on how to identify spear phishing emails and reduce the risk to the Department's network, systems, and operational information.

Congratulations! You Caught the Phish!

You have successfully completed this awareness training module. Well done!

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Someone Sent You a Phishing eCard

Someone you know has sent you warm wishes for this Autumn season! You've received a very special Autumn eCard from someone you know. Click the link below to reveal your eCard, and to send an eCard of your own!

See your eCard

This e-mail was automatically generated by the system associated with this e-mail address. Please do not reply to this e-mail. This e-mail was generated by the system associated with this e-mail address. Please do not reply to this e-mail.

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Exercise Phishing Email

Training is most effective when presented in a real world context. Therefore as part of each authorized exercise, a simulated spear phishing email is delivered without prior notification (i.e., blind exercise) to assess the ability of Department personnel to distinguish legitimate email from spear phishing messages.

eCard Delivery

Someone you know has sent you warm wishes for this Autumn season!

To: employee@testemail.com



Someone you know has sent you warm wishes for this Autumn season!

You've received a very special Autumn eCard from someone you know. Click the link below to reveal your eCard, and to send an eCard of your own!

See your eCard



Having trouble viewing your eCard? We're here to help. [Click here](#) to contact customer support.

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Healthy Technology Lunch n' Learn

Phishing at Sea
Recognizing and Reporting
Phishing Attempts

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Learning Objectives

- Understand phishing as a form of social engineering
- Appreciate risks associated with a phishing attack
- Know why you are a phishing target
- Describe how to review emails for phishing hooks

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Phishing is a form of Social Engineering

The use of deception to manipulate individuals into divulging confidential or personal information that may be used for fraudulent purposes.

Emotional Triggers: Fear, Love, Joy, Money

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What's at Risk? Why am I a target?

2017 breaches of healthcare data occurring at a rate of one per day*

- 10 Medicare numbers sold for \$4,700 in Feb 2015 according to National Public Radio
- Protonet Breach Barometer - 3,159,236 breached patient records (Jan - Jun 2017)
- 41% of health data breaches (96 incidents) so far in 2017 were a result of insiders (error or wrong doing)
 - Insider error - 97 incidents (433,009 records)

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Social Engineering Clues

- Sense of urgency

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Phishing at Sea Recognizing and Reporting Phishing Attempts

How Are the Phish Biting Today?
Tips to Stay Safe in the HHS No Phishing Zone

Pictures can be hooks!
Uncheck "Hide Extensions" in Settings

Websites can be decoys!
Type in URLs yourself

Documents can be decoys!
Verify before opening

Files can be hooks!
Never click links in files

Please login to our secure portal with your username & password.

There are more CyberCARE Tips at:
<http://mittranet.hhs.gov/security/cyber-care.html>

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ESCAPE ROOM

Challenge



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YOUR MISSION

You have been selected to be a member of the Department of State's elite **Cyber Task Force**. Recently, Embassy Botchester was under a massive cyber attack. Your mission as a cyber special agent is to solve the details of the cyber attack - including the perpetrator, his/her city of origin, date of the crime, how the attack was carried out (methodology/tactic), and the perpetrator's motivation. You must also list the 3 countermeasures or steps to teach people so this does not happen again.

Use the box of clues and this dossier to crack the codes and solve the puzzles. Fill out the **Crime Report** and submit it to your captain to **escape the room** and save Embassy Botchester!

SPECIAL NOTE: If you need help, your captain has provided 3 sealed envelopes with hints. However, each hint will add 5 minutes to your final completion time.

Good luck!





USPS CISO

OWASP Top 10

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USPS CISA SP Top 10
The Threat: Making it Real

USPS CISA SP Top 10 Training

Remember, when you enter an address and press home, you are also in USPS. All your personal information is being collected and stored in our systems. We use this information to provide you with the best possible service, but we also use it to protect you and our customers. We use this information to help us understand your needs and to improve our services. We use this information to help us understand your needs and to improve our services.

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USPS CISA SP Top 10
Baseline PCI Terms

USPS CISA SP Top 10 Training: PCI Security Terms

The screen above the user to choose their path to learning key PCI terms. One of the screen graphics has been replaced. The link on the left side of the slide.

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USPS CISA SP Top 10
Jailbreak of Mail

USPS CISA SP Top 10 Training

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OWASP Top 10
Links to Global Industry Standards Content

USPS CISA SP Top 10 Training: OWASP Top 10

Contingency Scenarios – Group Activity

Instructions

For this exercise, each group will be assigned one of the contingency scenarios listed below. Working together, each group should review their scenario and consider the following:

1. How would your organization be impacted by this contingency event?
2. How long could your organization continue its mission/operations?
3. How would you respond to this scenario?
4. What procedures/mechanisms would you like to be in place to assist in resolving the contingency event?
5. Depending on the nature of your system, what characteristics might affect your recovery strategy?

Be prepared to discuss your contingency scenario with the class.

Contingency Scenarios

Contingency Scenario A - Server Hard Drive Crash

The database server hosting your application has failed, resulting in the loss of all application data. This is a mission critical system that cannot remain offline for a long period of time without impacting your organization's mission.

Contingency Scenario B - Physical Access Control System Failure

The Physical Access Control System that controls all the badge readers and access points in your building has failed and will be down for an indeterminate amount of time.

Contingency Scenario C - Fire in the Data Center

Your building has suffered a major fire over the weekend. The liquid based fire suppression system originally installed in the building was not removed when the data center was built. Therefore, your data center has suffered catastrophic water and electrical damage, resulting in an electrical fire in the data center.

Contingency Scenario D - Corrupt Database

After several help desk calls from system users, your database administrator investigates and discovers that many of your database files have been corrupted.

Contingency Scenario E - Power Outage

Due to age and recent weather conditions, the power relay station that supplies grid power to your building has suffered a catastrophic failure of the transformers used to distribute incoming power to the local grid. The utility company has located one replacement transformer that can be transported and installed in approximately two weeks, however this will only replace 25% of the required power. Complete restoration is expected to take six weeks.

Training Winner!

Deborah Coleman

Organization:

U.S. Department of Education

Video Entries (6)

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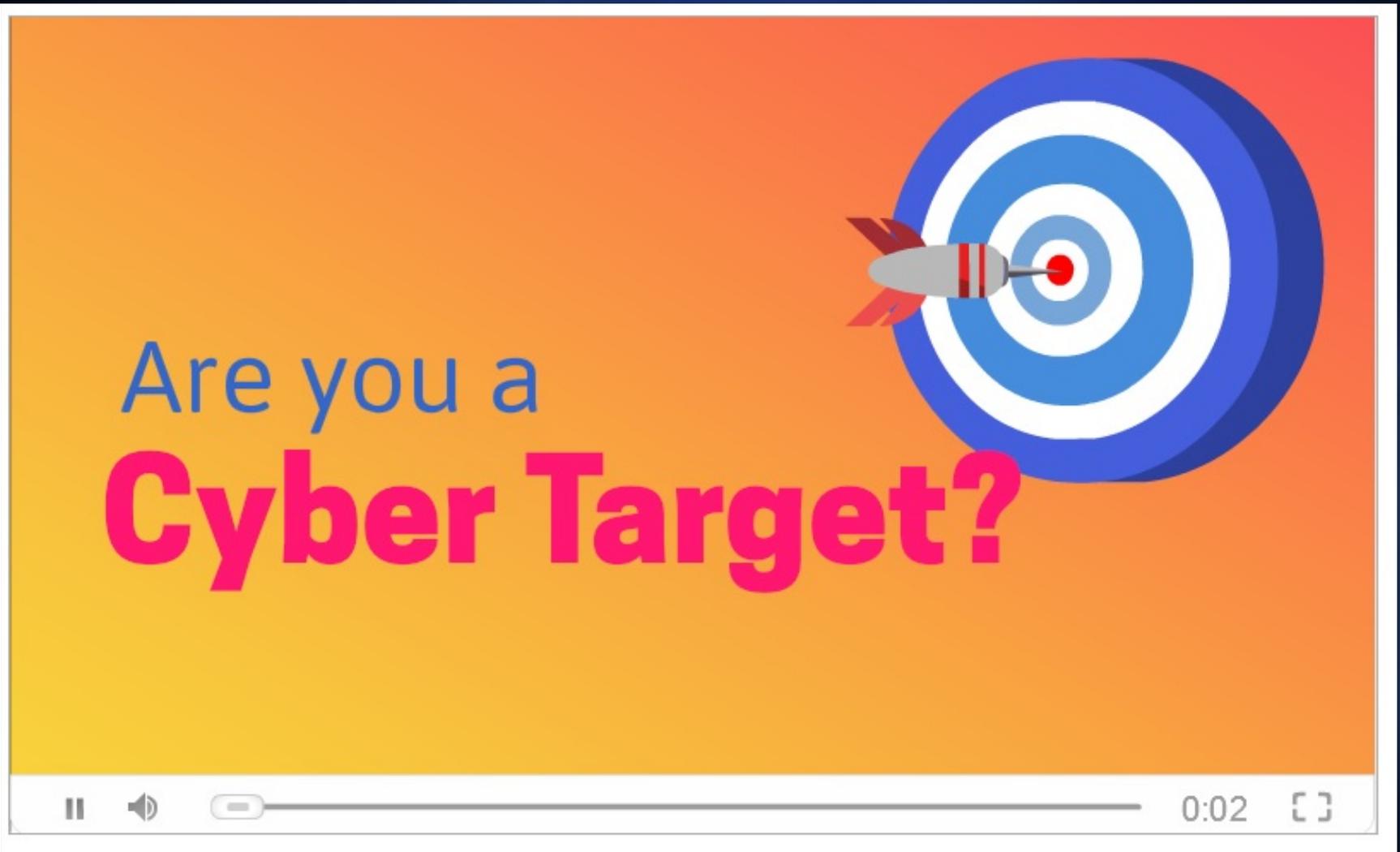


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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i71A7bUgJE0>



<https://youtu.be/OSwr4jyLPtA>



<https://www.powtoon.com/online-presentation/duetTaiU0pW/cyber-threats/?mode=movie>



SECURITY

Squeaky door, bubbling sounds, chains rattling, and music

https://www.nativeintelligence.com/sites/default/filh/security_mash_cc.mp4es/demo/Mas

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<https://www.uspscybersafe.com/articles/individuals/best-practices-for-staying-cybersafe-every-day/>



<https://youtu.be/UIOYRXXE35k>

Video Winner!

Evonne Thomas

**Organization:
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(USPS CISO)**

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Peer's Choice Awards

- ⊕ Part of the Government Best Practice Session today
 - ⊕ Stop by and see the full entries and descriptions up close
 - ⊕ Vote for your favorites (1 from each category)
 - ⊕ Winners will be announced during the closing session Wednesday
 - ⊕ Peer's Choice Award Winners will be listed alongside the official Contest winners on the FISSEA Website
- ⊕ No official award certificate...

just bragging rights 😊

*Thanks to all
who submitted entries!*

*A special thanks to our
judges!*