## TIPS & TACTICS RANSOMWARE



Quick steps you can take *now* to **PROTECT** yourself from the threat of ransomware:

1 USE ANTIVIRUS SOFTWARE AT ALL TIMES

Set your software to automatically scan emails and flash drives.

2 KEEP YOUR COMPUTER FULLY PATCHED

Run scheduled checks to keep everything up-to-date.

BLOCK ACCESS TO RANSOMWARE SITES

Use security products or services that block access to known ransomware sites.

4 ALLOW ONLY AUTHORIZED APPS

Configure operating systems or use third party software to allow only authorized applications on computers.

5 RESTRICT PERSONALLY-OWNED DEVICES

Organizations should restrict or prohibit access to official networks from personally-owned devices.

6 USE STANDARD USER ACCOUNTS

Use standard user accounts vs. accounts with administrative privileges whenever possible.

7 AVOID USING PERSONAL APPS

Avoid using personal applications and websites – like email, chat, and social media – from work computers.

8 BEWARE OF UNKNOWN SOURCES

Don't open files or click on links from unknown sources unless you first run an antivirus scan or look at links carefully.



Steps you can take now to help you RECOVER from a future ransomware attack:

1 MAKE AN INCIDENT RECOVERY PLAN

Develop and implement an incident recovery plan with defined roles and strategies for decision making.

2 BACKUP & RESTORE

Carefully plan, implement, and test a data backup and restoration strategy – and secure and isolate backups of important data.

3 KEEP YOUR CONTACTS

Maintain an up-to-date list of internal and external contacts for ransomware attacks, including law enforcement.







