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Data Security Training 8 Things to know about the MA Data Security Law

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Data Security

- MA Data Security Law, HIPAA, other industry regulations *require* ongoing employee training.
- Re-vamped on-line training to help keep training requirements up to date





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Internet Explorer bug lets hacker Control your PC





Target Data Breach: It gets worse

Microsoft Patch Tuesday brings critical Explorer, Outlook fixes

> CryptoLocker's crimewave: A trail of millions in laundered Bitcoin

Update Flash, Shockwave ASAP! Adobe also patches Acrobat and Reader

In Wake of Home Depot Breach, Report Says 43% of Companies Are Victims

Everything you need to know about Yahoo's security breach

'Master key' to Android phones uncovered

A "master key" that could give cyber-thieves unfettered access to almost any Android phone has been discovered by security







End Users

- Often lack of knowledge is the weakest link... "Endpoints"
 - Bromium Report: 75% say end users are the biggest security problem
 - <u>Verizon Data Breach Intelligence</u>
 <u>Report</u>: 71% of breaches were the result of an attack on end user devices.







Massachusetts Data Security Law

- Applies to <u>all</u> businesses (and non profits)
- Personal Information
 - First Name or Initial + Last Name
 - Identifying information
- Your industry may have additional requirements (HIPAA, etc)

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1. <u>"Secure user authentication protocols</u> including:

(a) control of user IDs and other identifiers;

(b) a reasonably secure method of assigning and selecting passwords, or use of unique identifier technologies, such as biometrics or token devices;
(c) control of data security passwords to ensure that such passwords are kept in a location and/or format that does not compromise the security of the data they protect;

(d) restricting access to active users and active user accounts only; and

(e) blocking access to user identification after multiple unsuccessful attempts to gain access or the limitation placed on access for the particular system;"





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... Technology Requirement #1

Strong Passwords: include 8 or more characters, include uppercase letters, lowercase letters, numbers, and symbols. Never use a word in the dictionary.

123456: Most popular password = bad idea!

- 90 Day Password Policy.
- Domain authentication should be used for businesses with a server.
- "Technically feasible" not all applications have password policies







Secure access control measures that:

restrict access to records and (a) files containing personal information to those who need such information to perform their job duties; and assign unique identifications (b) plus passwords, which are not vendor supplied default passwords, to each person with computer access, that are reasonably designed to maintain the integrity of the security of the access controls;"

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- "(3)Encryption of all transmitted records and files containing personal information that will travel across public networks, and encryption of all data containing personal information to be transmitted wirelessly."
- Do not email personal information. Instead use encrypted email or encrypted file transfer.
- Maintain wireless network encryption.
- WPA <u>NOT</u> WEP Encryption
- Password protection is NOT encryption!







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Reasonable monitoring of systems, for unauthorized use of or access to personal information";





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- Encryption of all personal information stored on laptops or other portable devices*;" (hard drives, USB sticks, tapes, DVDs, etc)
 - Newer laptops Hard drive encryption built in – need to set up.
 - Trucrypt**, PGP
 - If technically feasible







For files containing personal information on a system that is connected to the Internet, there must be reasonably up-to-date firewall protection and operating system security patches, reasonably designed to maintain the integrity of the personal information."







"Reasonably up-to-date versions of system security agent software which must include malware protection and reasonably up-to-date patches and virus definitions, or a version of such software that can still be supported with up-todate patches and virus definitions, and is set to receive the most current security updates on a regular basis."







- Education and training of employees on the proper use of the computer security system and the importance of personal information security."
- Users often break basic rules for "convenience". Education is needed to prevent this.
- Risk analysis is an <u>ongoing</u> process
 Business changes, Technology changes







Things to think about...

MA Data Security law requires a **WRITTEN INFORMATION SECURITY PLAN (WISP)**

- Do you have a policy?
- BYOD Bring Your Own Device
- BYOA Bring Your Own APP
- Can you measure your compliance?
- Think "<u>Layers</u>"









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