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# Cyber Security Liability: Best Practices

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# Top 5

- 1. Identify what you have
- 2. Breach Incident Response Plan
- 3. Educate Employees
- 4. Keep up to date, implement some level of Security
- 5. Protect your Balance Sheet with Insurance



# Identify Exposure

- HMA Self Assessment
  - Holmesmurphy.com/infosecurity
- Symantec Assessment
  - https://databreachcalculator.com/
- Number of Files, number of employees
- Really need to quantify the potential and have an idea of what is at risk
- <u>Don't</u>: Think you're not a target



# Incident Response Plan

#### Create a breach response plan

- Know what types of data are stored and where
- Develop an ongoing plan to assess / monitor / evaluate privacy risk
- Create an ongoing compliance, education, and mitigation plan
- Develop a response plan for when a data event occurs (it will)

#### Typical components of a response plan for a data breach:

- Key members of decision team (C-suite and senior IT)
- Align vendors (Attorneys, PR, Forensic Security, Breach Response)
- Stop the breach
- Determine scope of breach (types of data, how much, who affected)
- Internal remediation Forensic expertise/repair upgrades
- External party notifications (patients, State AG's, credit bureaus, police, FBI)
- Affected patient disclosure (meet state requirements, timing, scope)
- Notification (message, medium)
- External remediation (credit monitoring or other services)
- TEMPLATES ARE AVAILABLE!
- <u>Don't</u>: Become complacent



# **Educate Employees**

- Weakest link
- Email protocols, password protection, phishing attacks, phone hacking, social engineering, traveling
  - Norse-corp.com; Haveibeenpwned.com; howsecureismypassword.net; echosec.net; spooftel.com; ComputerCrimeInfo.com
- <u>Don't</u>: Assume your employees know the right thing to do



## Implement Security

- Cyber Hygiene
- Keep the doors to information closed when you can
- Inexpensive/Free guidelines or services you can implement
  - <a href="http://www.nist.gov/cyberframework/">http://www.nist.gov/cyberframework/</a>
  - <u>www.holmesmurphy.com</u>
- Don't: Assume a third party has got it taken care of



## Cyber Hygiene

- Boring things
- Regularly updating software
- Routine audits of your systems
- Routine audits of your vendors
- Reviewing internal procedures and policies
- Keep online doors closed (laptops, smartphones, tablets, TV's)



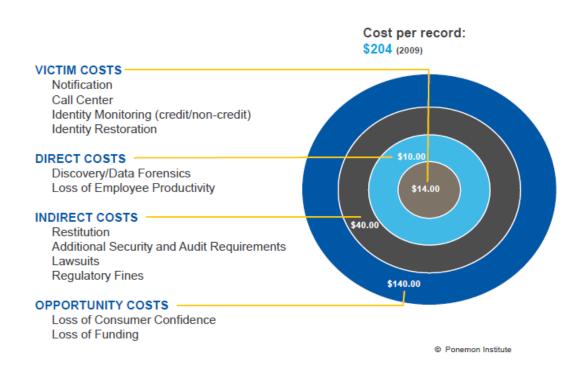
Insurance Marketplace- <u>Don't</u>: Assume you can handle it all.

## REACTIVE RESPONSE



#### **Breach Costs**







## The Coverage Gap

Unless specifically addressed, Privacy and Network Security Liability falls between the cracks of coverage provided by traditional insurance policies:

General Liability – (may provide <u>limited</u> coverage) for "<u>publication</u> of material that invades a person's right to privacy"

Commercial Property – electronic data extension only covers replacement of destroyed or corrupted data. Indirect or consequential loss excluded

Commercial Crime / Computer Crime – generally excludes loss from theft of confidential information & excludes indirect or consequential loss

D&O Policy – D&Os unlikely to be named. Some policies have invasion of privacy excluded in BI/PD or Personal Injury Exclusion. No 1<sup>st</sup> party expense coverage

E&O Policy – generally respond only to loss from a defined professional service and typically no "first party" coverage for breach-related expenses



#### Carrier Selection

- Financial stability
- Coverage terms and conditions
- Appetite for clients in your industry
- Appetite for the size of your client's business
- Commitment to the product
- Claims paying reputation and infrastructure
- Industry expertise
- Relationships with expertise attorneys, security firms, forensic specialists



#### Limits?

- Exposure for data loss is tied to the number of individuals you have information on
- Types of protected information stored
- Location and segregation of sensitive data
- Industry specific considerations
- How much do my peers buy?



### Insurance Carrier Underwriting

**Data/Confidential Info** – Types/How much?/location

Encryption (Safe harbor) – At rest, in motion, backup, mobile devices

**Systems & Software** – Patches/updates/controls

**Use of cloud vendors** – who/what services (payroll, payments, services, etc.)

**Vendor Controls** – Due Diligence/ Contracts/Data shared/Access control

Network Access – How and who accesses your network remotely?

**Subsidiary acquisitions** – Due diligence, conversion process

**Compensating controls** – What else are you doing?



### **Coverage Considerations**

- Exposure based concerns:
  - Corporate Confidential Information
  - Rogue Employee Coverage
  - Paper Records
- Exclusions to be mindful of:
  - 'Not on Network' devices, Known-virus exclusion, failure to maintain updates
- Vendor Agreements- Indemnity Flow
- Breach Estimator Tool:
  - https://databreachcalculator.com/



### Cyber/Privacy Best Practices

#### **Contracts – Cloud providers and Data Holders**

- Review Vendor Agreements Insurance Requirements, Indemnify
- Limitations of Liability / Indemnifications

#### **Privacy controls/procedures**

- Access to electronic information only as needed for employees
- Information is encrypted whenever possible
- Review of physical security procedures used at various locations
- Privacy policy in place, monitored for compliance, updated
- Sharing of customer information with any 3rd parties
- International privacy rules for data transfers

#### Claims, legal matters, and insurance

- Broker Interaction Let them help with the process
- Provide leverage and discussion about coverage intent with carrier
- Work with coverage and outside counsel as necessary



#### **Studies**

- Verizon Compliance Study
- Ponemon Institute Study
- NetDilligence Security Report
- Symantec Corp.

COMPUTERCRIMEINFO.COM



#### **Questions?**

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