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Incident Response Planning Tips and Resources



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Agenda

- > Why?
- Set Started
- > Build Your Team
- > Resources
- Incident Response Framework
- Attack Scenarios
- > Recovery Procedures
- > Testing
- > Summary





Why?

- > Cyberinsurance?
- > Impact
- Risk of a breach
- Compliance
- Reputation
- Collaborate
- > Time and resources





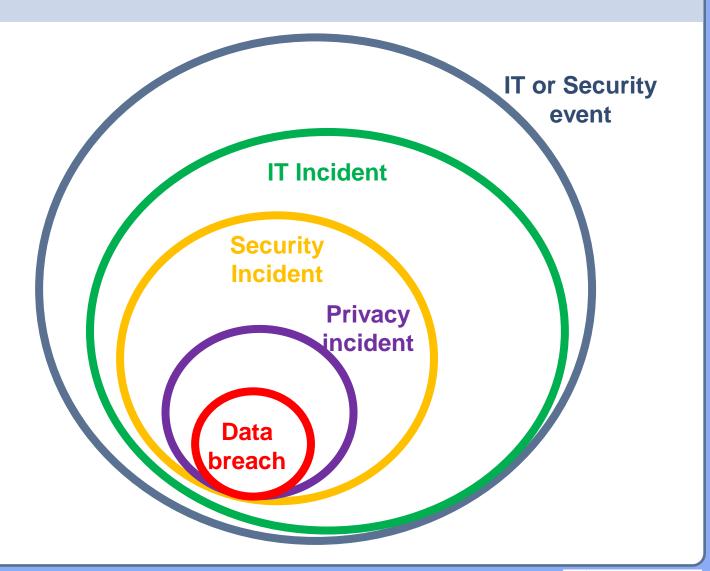






Why?

- > Events (always start here)
- Incidents
- > Breaches





Getting Started

- > Team
- > Scope
- > Risks
- Response Process
- Assign Roles
- Communication
- Testing
- Training





Build Your Team

- > Roles
- Team Members
- > Procedures
- Training
- Communication
- Severity Levels
- Partners





Build Your Team

The Microsoft 365 Shared Responsibility Model

Primary Responsibility

Supporting Technology

Regulatory

Microsoft's Responsibility

Learn more in the Microsoft documentation

IT/MSP Responsibility

YOUR Responsibility

Cyberinsurance carrier Responsibility

MICROSOFT GLOBAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Uptime of the Microsoft 365 Cloud Service

YOUR MICROSOFT **365 DATA**

Access and control of your data residing in Microsoft 365

Microsoft 365 Data Replication

Recycle Bin Limited, short term data loss recovery (no point-in time recovery)

Microsoft 365 Backup Copy of your data stored in a different location

Full Data Retention

Infrastructure-Level

Security

Logical Security

Data-Level

Employ ee Retaliation Evidence Tampering

Role as data processor

Role as data



Build Your Team

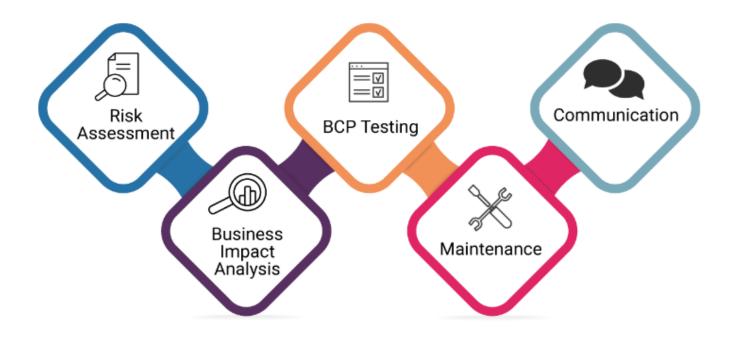
ROLE	RESPONSIBILITY	CONTACT DETAILS			
INFORMATION SEC	CURITY				
Security Officer	Strategic lead. Develops technical, operational, and financial risk ranking criteria used to prioritize incident response plan.				
	Manages key vendors such as cyberinsurance and external Cybersecurity Operations Center (CyberSOC)	steve@fulcru			
	Authorizes when and how incident details are reported.				
	Manages company security and incident response policy and incident response plans.				
	Receives information about a breach according to timeline and format mandated by regulatory requirements.				
	Primary point of contact to declare a Security Incident.				
	Provides security bulletins and technical guidance to external users in case of a breach.				
	Main point of contact for Ownership.				
Cyber Security Operations Center (CyberSOC)	Central team that authorizes and coordinates incident response across service team and functions through all stages of a cyber incident.				
	Maintains documentation and catalog of security incidents.	See Arctic Wolf Networks contact details <u>above</u>			
	Responsible for identifying, confirming and evaluating extent of incidents.				
	Responsible for escalating possible incidents to Service Manager (privileged account use, vulnerable systems publicly accessible, excessive logins, or other unusual behavior or other Indicators of Compromise).				
	Informs Fulcrum Group team of potential attacks that compromise privileged accounts, validates and reports on the extent of attacks.				

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Service Manager	Centrally manages patches, hardware and software updates, and other system upgrades to prevent and contain a <u>cyber attack</u> .	
	Provides security bulletins and technical guidance to employees in case of a breach, including required software updates, password changes, or other system changes.	David Atchley, datchley@fulc
	Responsible for privilege management, enterprise password protection and role-based access control.	
	Discovers, audits, and reports on all privilege usage.	
	Conducts random checks to audit privileged accounts, validate whether they are required, and re-authenticate those that are.	
	Takes action to prevent the spread of a breach by updating privileges.	
	Determines escalation from Service Desk to more senior resources.	
	Responsible for escalating incidents to Security Officer as possible security incidents.	
Service Desk Lead	Manages access to systems and applications for internal staff and partners.	
	Possible first response to changes in possible incidents.	Andy <u>Roja</u>
	Escalates to more senior resources or involves Service Manager.	arojas@fu
	Posts initial details into Critical Incidents channel on Microsoft Teams, to loop in incident response team members.	



Prep Work

- Critical Assets and Data
- > Risks
- Incident Types
- > Procedures
- Contacts
- Communication Plans
- Partners
- Exercises





Prep Work

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Fulcrum Cyber Defense Matrix

	IDENTIFY	PROTECT	DETECT	RESPOND	RECOVER
DEVICES	Datto Win inventory, Auvik SentinelOne EDR device inventory, ScalePad reviews, mylTprocess quarterly reviews		SentinelOne EDR		Auvik backups
APPLICATIONS	SaaS application discovery, IT Glue vendor/app	Sonicwall firewall (inc security software for IPS/IPS)	Sonicwall DDoS protection		
NETWORKS	mylTprocess quarterly reviews	Sonicwall SSL VPN, Sonicwall GeoFilter, Bot protection		Server/SAN/hypervisor recoverability, 3rd party insurance/E&O	Server/SAN/hypervisor recoverability, 3rd party insurance/E&O
DATA	Datto software inventory, mylTprocess quarterly reviews	Bitlocker disk encryption/Sophos,	BSN Deep Web reports		SentionelOne ransomware recovery, Veeam/Uni/Datto backup, BackupRadar reports, OneDrive restore, Backupify for 365
USERS	BSN phishing sim, Azure AD Connect, Microsoft MFA, Fulcrum employee background checks, Autotask ticket tracking	BSN security training and awareness, Sonicwall Web Filter, BitLocker disk encryption			

Degree of Dependency

Technology

People

Process



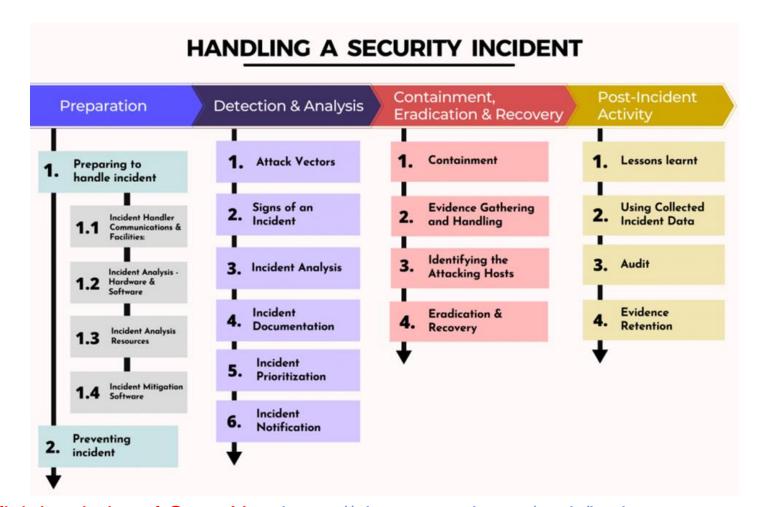
Prep Work

Imp. A, B, C, or D or)	Server Name/IP Address	VOL	Disk Size (in GB)	Operating System	HW	Role/App/DataType ▼	RTO		B/U Type	Backup Schedule	Retention Schedule	_	Other Protections	Backup Ta
A			200	Other 3.x Linux (64-bit)	VM	Phone system, voice mail, faxing	1h	24h	Veeam	Daily and weekly	6 dailys 36weekly		SFTP PBX Backup, Includes PBX Config and various logs and settings	
Α			10	CentOS 4/5 or later	VM	UPS power management console								
Α		C:	84.92	Windows Server 2016 Standard	VM	DC, DNS, DHCP, Colo, Azure AD Connect, FSMO roles, ID Sync and database			Veeam	Domain Controllers - Daily	6 dailys 36weekly		Application Aware Processing Enabled for DC	
Α		C:	19.43	Windows Server 2016 Standard	VM	Duo Security Authentication Proxy Service (MFA)			Veeam	Daily and weekly	6 dailys 36weekly		Application Aware Processing Enabled	
Α		C:/, E:	1497	Windows Server 2019 Standard	VM	File server, DFS, AppVault, Sales share, Shared, Users, UserShares, HoneyPot			Veeam	Backup Job 11 - Daily	6 dailys 36weekly			Synology NAS Sec
A		C:	45.60	Windows Server 2016 Standard	VM	Hosts QuoteWerks data for sales quoting, SQL Server 2014 for database,			Veeam	Daily and weekly	6 dailys 36weekly			
Α		C:	31.76	Windows Server 2016 Standard	VM	Remote App Host			Veeam	Daily and weekly	6 dailys 36weekly			
Α	¢	C:	114.63	Windows Server 2016 Standard	VM	Remote Desktop Session Host			Veeam	Daily and weekly	6 dailys 36weekly			



Incident Response Framework

- Preparation
- Detection
- Containment
- Eradication
- > Recovery
- Analysis
- Post-incident



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Incident Response Framework

		Action	Date
	Action Plan	Taken	Completed
	Detection and Analysis		
1	Determine whether an incident has occurred		
1.1	Describe how the team first learned of the attack (AWN, client, employee, security alert, etc.)		
1.2	Get as much data from Arctic Wolf (if involved)		
1.3	Analyze audit logs to identify unusual or suspicious account behavior that indicates a likely attack		
1.4	Look for correlating information to confirm attack has occurred		
1.5	Perform research (e.g., search engines, knowledge base)		
1.6	Describe potential attacker, including known or expected capabilities, behaviors, and motivations.		
1.7	Identify access point and source of attack (endpoint, application, malware downloaded, etc.) and responsible party.		
1.8	Check applications for signatures, IP address ranges, files hashes, processes, executables names, URLs, and domain names of known malicious websites.		
1.9	Evaluate extent of damage upon discovery and risk to systems and privileged accounts in particular		
1.1	Audit which privileged accounts have been used recently, whether any passwords have been changed, and what applications have been executed.		
1.11	As soon as the handler believes an incident has occurred, begin documenting the investigation and gathering evidence		
2	Incident Lead communicate findings to Service Manager and Security Officer		
2.1	Security Officer officially declare a security incident and contact cyber insurance provider (open a claim)		
2.2	Wait for your breach attorney to ensure you have attorney/client privilege		
2.3	Prioritize handling the incident based on the relevant factors (functional impact, information impact, recoverability effort, etc.)		
2.4	Security Officer work with Arctic Wolf Incident Response team		
2.5	Security Officer work with cyber insurance for additional resources, such as forensics, legal, PR help		

Items Gathered During An Incident

- Logs considered to be very significant: Firewall, Event logs, Active Directory
- Logs considered to be significant: DNS, Web Proxy, Remote Access Authentication, DHCP lease, router, IDS/IPS alerts, endpoint security (Antivirus, Antimalware), VPN, two-factor authentication, SNMP, SIEM
- Live forensic image of RAM and virtualized RAM (if available, also a back-up copy for Delta Analysis) on compromised client or servers
- Live image of breached servers (not storage pools), to include remote, third-party and cloud servers, either as a full export or a back-up copy of the server in its current state
- > Timeline of events
- Physical and virtual network topology
- Copy of malware or tools used by suspected offenders
- > Copies of emails suspected to be malicious with full headers and attachments
- Copies of links suspected of causing the breach
- Names of organizations and individuals outside your organization who were already notified of the incident
- Access to real-time IR firm analysis (an IR firm's final report is ineffective for an investigative function)
- > Contact information for your organization's IR Team and/or third-party IR Firm
- Contact information for your organization's external counsel, if applicable
- > Contact information for the PCI Forensic Investigator you have engaged, if applicable
- > Visibility of any internal and/or external communications issued by your organization to your workforce, customers, and/or the public



Attack Scenarios

- Identify Threats (according to DBIR)
 - Social engineering
 - Basic Web Application Attacks
 - System Intrusion
 - Privilege misuse
 - Lost or stolen assets
- Mitigating
- > Recovering

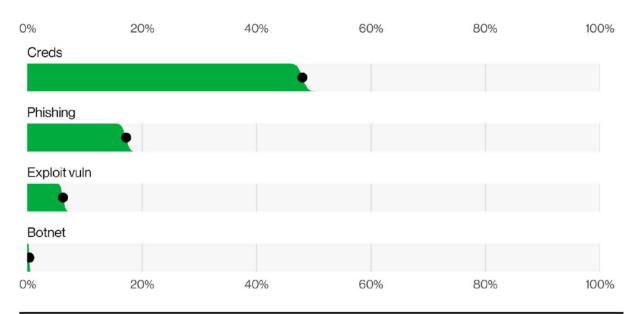


Figure 1. Select enumerations in non-Error, non-Misuse breaches (n=4,250)



Attack Scenarios

Attack Vector- Ransomware

Threat Summary: Technically, ransomware is included under the malware umbrella we discussed above. However, due to its destructive nature, ransomware is deserving of its own category. Modern ransomware has taken a turn for the worse, and attackers are now dropping ransomware after being in a network for a while once they have gained the information and data. Ransomware covers an attacker's tracks on their way out and distracts users while data is being exfiltrated.

Identification- Identification is the process of detecting a breach and enabling a rapid response. The IR team uses threat intelligence streams, intrusion detection systems and firewalls to classify an incident as a breach that requires prompt action.

- If security incident declared by Security Officer, engage cyberinsurance carrier, open a claim and engage appropriate resources.
- 2) Determine which systems were impacted, and immediately isolate them.
 - If a single system affected, attempt mitigation using SentinelOne or ransomware rollback (instructions at end of document). Be sure to also check file system in case OneDrive affected. Might need to do restore using Datto Backupify.
 - b. Or, if non-critical system or data, you could also wipe and start from scratch.
 - c. If several systems or subnets appear impacted, take the network offline at the switch level. It may not be feasible to disconnect individual systems during a larger incident.
 - If taking the network temporarily offline is not immediately possible, locate the network (e.g., Ethernet) cable and unplug affected devices from the network or remove them from Wi-Fi, to contain the infection.
 - e. After an initial compromise, malicious actors may monitor your organization's activity or communications to understand if their actions have been detected. Be sure to isolate systems in a coordinated manner.

Protect:	Detect:	Respond:			
Company has configured	Company employees are	ArcticWolf CyberSOC is			
Endpoint Detection and	advised to notify Service	watching 24 x 7 for			
Response (EDR) software	Manager if machines	Indicators of Compromise			
after tuning with existing	running slower or	resulting from network,			
applications, and therefore	experiencing Blue Screen of	system and Office 365 logs			
prevents many malicious	Death (BSoD). These are	and indicators from			
applications from being	common symptoms of	Gateway SIEM at both			
download or installed.	potential malware on	corporate egress points.			
	workstations.	0			
Company requires	Company has configured	ArcticWolf CyberSOC is			
multifactor authentication	notifications and monitoring	watching 24 X 7 and has the			
(MFA) for Windows domain,	software to notify us of	ability to make changes to			
Azure AD and all its core	dwindling storage space.	SIEM appliances to block			
SaaS applications.	Sudden and unexpected	network traffic at egress			
	display shortages could be	points, if there were a			
	indicative of malware hiding	network intrusion and they			
	on Windows-based systems.	wanted to block possible			
		outbreak before the			
		ransomware began			
		encrypting files			
Company requires MFA for	Company employees are	ArcticWolf is constantly			
access to SentinelOne EDR	advised to notify Service	monitoring key risk			
software	Manager for pop-ups or	indicators and indicators of			
	unwanted applications that	compromise. The network			
	get installed on devices. It	has been baselined for over			
	could be malware	a year and quarterly			
	camouflaging itself as other	meetings ensure all devices			
	applications.	and IP ranges are still being			
		protected.			



Recovery Procedures

- Recover
 - File
 - Server
 - Service
 - Infrastructure
 - Site
- Restore
- Replace





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Testing

- Tabletop Exercises
- Goal- validate IRP
- Designate facilitator (focus)
- Players (active role)
- Specific Scenario(s)
- > Best Practices
 - use existing plans, policies, procedures, and resources to guide
 - focus on key actions, decisions per person, problem solving
 - Keep time constraints in mind
 - low stress, no hidden agenda, no-fault
 - debrief when done, after action report





Testing

Debrief questions

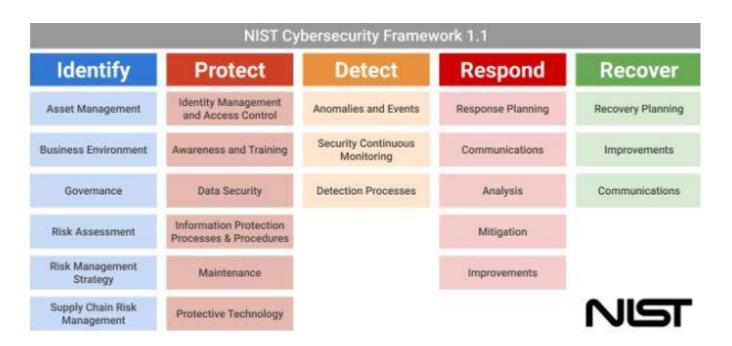
- Was the exercise scenario realistic for your organization, processes and current security posture?
- Did communications and processes flow as expected throughout the exercise? If not, why and where were the gaps?
- What other plans, policies, or procedures would players implement to respond to the incident described in the exercise scenario?
- On a scale of 1–5 (with 5 being the best), how would you rate your team on how well you handled and responded to the incident described in the exercise scenario?
- Do you have any recommendations for improvements or areas that require follow-up?
- Is everyone sufficiently familiar with the incident response plan established by your organization?
- What parties and persons should be involved throughout a cyber-related incident? Are roles and responsibilities clearly defined? Are there other teams or persons in the organization who should be included?
- What actions do all participants plan to take in order to address any outstanding issues?





Summary

- Get your team around you
- You probably need to do some groundwork from Identify to cover the technical aspects of the plan
- Use frameworks and resources to learn enough Incident Response
- Work out Attack Scenarios, in priority
- Organize important Recovery Procedures
- Testing your plan makes it better
- Get a better night's sleep





Resources

- > NIST CSF- Security framework and pillars https://www.nist.gov/cyberframework
- NIST.SP.800-61r2 Computer Security Incident Handling Guide https://csrc.nist.gov/publications/detail/sp/800-61/rev-2/final
- Microsoft Incident Response Guide https://info.microsoft.com/rs/157-GQE-382/images/EN-US-CNTNT-emergency-doc-digital.pdf
- > IST/CIS- Blueprint for Ransomware Defense https://securityandtechnology.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/IST-Blueprint-for-Ransomware-Defense.pdf
- NIST.SP.800-83r1 Guide to Malware Incident Prevention and Handling for Desktops and Laptops https://csrc.nist.gov/publications/detail/sp/800-83/rev-1/final
- CISA Cybersecurity Incident & Vulnerability Response Playbooks https://www.cisa.gov/topics/cybersecurity-best-practices/organizations-and-cyber-safety/cybersecurity-incident-response
 AFTER
- NCTCG- Cyber Security Incident Response Planning System
 https://www.nctcog.org/ep/resources/toolkits/cyber-security-incident-response-planning-system
- CIS- Incident Response Policy Template https://www.cisecurity.org/insights/white-papers/incident-response-policy-template-for-cis-control-17
- > SANS- The Ultimate List of SANS Cheat Sheets https://www.sans.org/blog/the-ultimate-list-of-sans-cheat-sheets/
- > State of Texas DIR- https://dir.texas.gov/information-security/cybersecurity-incident-management-and-reporting
- Verizon DBIR 2022- https://www.verizon.com/business/resources/reports/2022-dbir-public-sector-snapshot.pdf





DURING ATTACK:

DETECT

