

Top Ten Cybersecurity Tips for Nonprofits: Managing Your Technical and Legal Risks

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Cybersecurity and Data Security

- Cybersecurity and data security are related concepts
- Cybersecurity focuses on protecting networks and infrastructure from attacks and bad actors and can include personal information:
 - Organizational networks, communications backbone, financial systems, etc.
- Data security focuses on securing personal information (e.g., names, payment card numbers, Social Security number, etc.) from being accessed and/or acquired by unauthorized individuals:
 - Consumer data breaches, lost laptops, etc.
- Different agencies and laws regulate different types of incidents, often with overlapping interests



The Legal Perspective

1. Know the Legal Rules

- State attorneys general often follow the Federal Trade Commission's (FTC) lead in enforcing state laws on unfairness and deception.
- Practices that the FTC has identified as factors in reasonable security:
 - Minimizing the collection of personal information;
 - Failure to implement and enforce appropriate password policies;
 - Failure to use encryption to protect consumer information in storage and in transit;
 - Failure to perform due diligence of and oversight of service providers' cybersecurity practices;
 - Failure to provide employees with adequate cybersecurity training;
 - Failure to implement policies and procedures to detect and respond to a breach.

1. Know the Legal Rules

- State Data Security Laws:
 - Nine states require that organizations implement sufficient policies and procedures to maintain reasonable data security
 - Typically apply based on individuals' residence, not the entity's location
 - AR, CA, FL, CT, IN, MD, OR, TX, UT
- Massachusetts Standards for the Protection of Personal Information:
 - MA has implemented more detailed data security requirements that apply to associations and other legal entities
 - Requires a written comprehensive information security program, with specific components and technical requirements
- Data Disposal:
 - Approximately 30 states impose legal obligations on organizations to properly dispose of records that contain personal, financial, or health information

1. Know the Legal Rules

- Payment Card Industry Data Security Standards (PCI DSS):
 - Regularly updated security standards created by the credit card industry
 - Practices and policies to protect accountholder data
- Implementation:
 - Compliance steps depend on card processing volume
 - Qualified Security Assessors (QSAs) can assist
 - Information security policy is required
 - Service providers should be PCI DSS compliant
- Enforcement:
 - Credit card brands require merchant banks to enforce compliance by their clients
 - o Fines imposed on banks can be passed on to organizations
 - States have enacted statutory requirements similar to PCI DSS

2. Assess Your Risks

Legal Risk

Legal Assessment

Legal Risk Management

- Sector-Specific Enforcement (e.g., energy, financial services, healthcare, advertising, retail, etc.)
- State Attorney General Enforcement
- Federal Agency Enforcement
- Congressional Investigations
- Class Action Lawsuits

- Policies/Procedures
- Governance
- Incident Response Plan
- Vendor Selection and Contracts
- Training
- Data Mapping

- Reporting and Decision Making
- Legal and Regulatory Compliance Framework

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2. Assess Your Risks

- Security program should be proportional to:
 - Data handled
 - Size and nature of organization
- Administration began to focus on cybersecurity in earnest beginning in 2013:
 - Executive Order 13636 directed the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) to develop a baseline cybersecurity framework
- NIST released the Cybersecurity Framework in February 2014:
 - Voluntary methodology and process for assessing and reducing cybersecurity risks in critical infrastructure sectors
 - Framework is a "living document," and NIST continues to gather feedback regarding how to improve it over time
 - NIST reports good uptake of the Framework, including by FINRA and the Conference of State Bank Supervisors
 - Updated draft v. 1.1 released for comment on January 10, 2017

2. Assess Your Risks

- Perform an enterprise-wide vulnerability assessment
- Implement a comprehensive information security program that addresses any identified vulnerabilities:
 - Periodically review and update the information security program
- Implement appropriate data security policies:
 - Data Classification Policy
 - Password Strength Policy
 - Access Control Policy
 - Encryption Policy
 - Data Disposal Policy
 - Patch Management Policy
- Implement an Incident Response Plan



3. Know Your Vendors

- Select and oversee service providers with reasonable security programs
- Adequate cyber insurance coverage
- Consistent contract provisions related to security and breach response:
 - Audits and audit reports
 - Insurance and indemnification
 - Notifying data owner of breach:
 - o External notifications/credit monitoring/responding to investigations
 - o Restrictions on use/disclosure of data
 - Reps and warranties of compliance with privacy and security obligations
 - Data return and disposal



3. Know Your Vendors

- Specific concerns for vendors hired to help with security assessment and services
- Security findings can be sensitive, and may create liability risks for the organization
- Consider structuring the engagement to ensure products are protected by attorney-client privilege to the extent possible

Cost of a Data Breach:

- Many factors contribute to total costs:
 - Breach response efforts
 - o Delivering notices, credit monitoring, legal costs, etc.
 - Reputational costs
 - o Customer and employee goodwill, media scrutiny
 - Litigation and/or Regulatory defense
- Projected average cost of a breach:
 - 1,000 records: \$52,000-\$87,000
 - 100,000 records: \$366,500-\$614,600
 - 10 million records: \$2,100,000-\$5,200,000
 - Source: 2015 Data Breach Investigations Report, Verizon (2015), available at http://www.verizonenterprise.com/DBIR/2015/

- An effective incident response plan will facilitate:
 - Prompt detection, investigation, recovery (more on this later);
 - Notification of and cooperation with law enforcement officials, if deemed necessary;
 - Notification to external parties affected by the incident, if any, such as customers, associates, or credit card companies;
 - Notification to cyber insurance provider, if necessary;
 - Notification to affected individuals, if required;
 - Notification to state or federal regulatory agencies, if required;
 - Review of security policies and procedures to prevent a reoccurrence

Breach Response Timeline: "Sprinting a Marathon"



- Most states have implemented a data breach notification statute; federal legislation is being considered
- The requirements for notification can vary widely by state; many states require notice to state authorities as well as individuals
- Not all security incidents require notification
 - Where a "breach" did not occur
 - Where the information involved was not "personal information"
 - Where there is no risk of harm to affected individuals
- Data owner typically has legal duty to notify affected individuals and government agencies



 Cybersecurity risk management is not a "one-time" effort

- Legal standards and security threats are constantly evolving
- Consider periodic review and reassessment, particularly following a breach



The Technical Perspective

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Cyber Threat

Any malicious act that attempts to gain access to a computer or computer network without authorization or permission from the owners.

\$450+ billion/year globally

200% increase in costs from 2010 to 2015

1 million victims daily

20% increase in attacks per week from 2012 to 2013

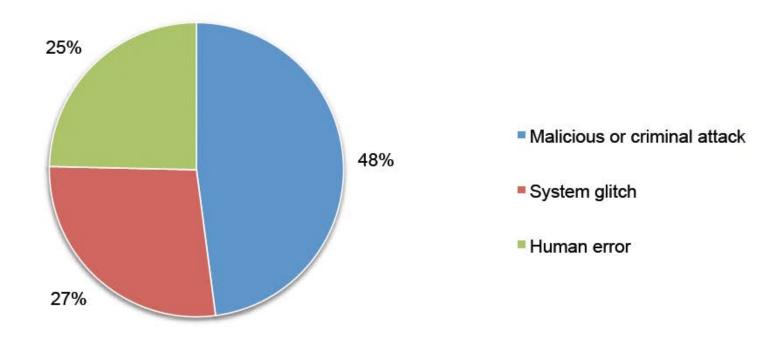
If cybercrime had been a country in 2014, it would've been the 27th largest economy

Source: World Bank, Allianz Cyber Risk Guide

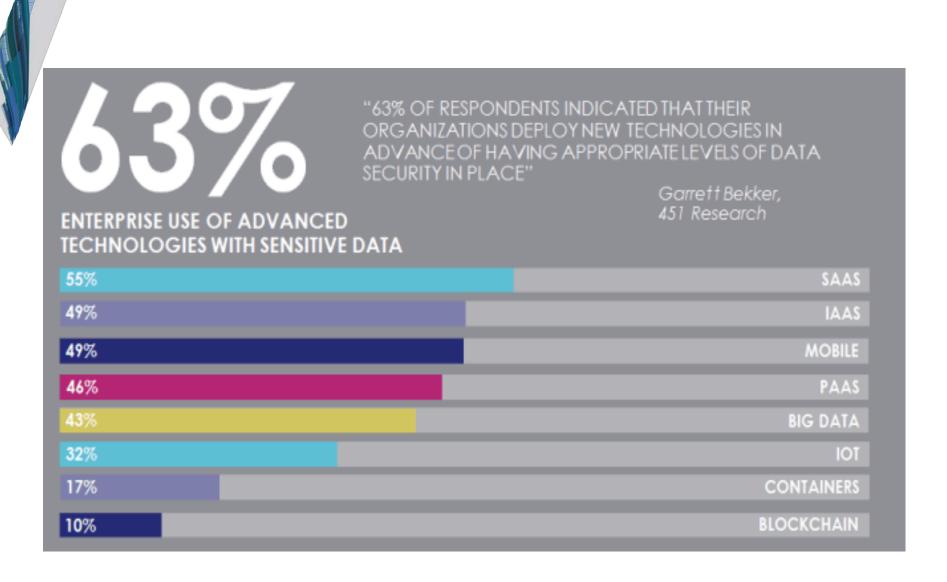
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Data Breaches

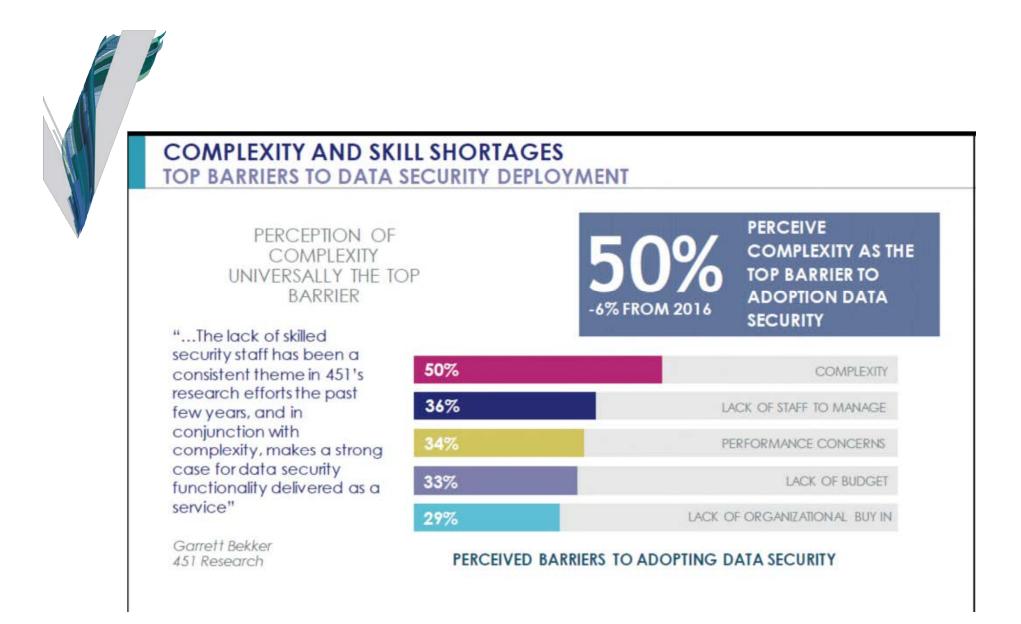
Pie Chart 2. Distribution of the benchmark sample by root cause of the data breach Consolidated view (n=383)



"2016 Cost of Data Breach Study: Global Analysis," Ponemon Institute, June 2016



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Cybersecurity Is Risk Management

- Know the Threats
- Understand the Impact
- Manage the Vulnerabilities

• **Risk** = Function (Threats, Impact, Vulnerabilities)

6. Know Your Cybersecurity Threats

- Hackers/Hacktivists
 - Criminal groups, cyber criminals, script kiddies
- Insiders
- Environmental
- Spyware/Malware
- Phishing and Spamming
 - Malware and viruses
- Ransomware
 - CryptoLocker
- WordPress/ColdFusion Hacks

- Denial of Service or
- Business Email Compromise
 - Business IT systems
 - Aim is to enable wire fraud
 - Financial loss
- Social Engineering
 - In person
 - Via emails/electronically
 - On the phone

7. Understand the Impact

- CIA triad of information security policy
 - Confidentiality
 - Security access levels
 - o Data breach
 - Integrity
 - o Data free from corruption
 - Availability
 - Loss of accessibility
 - DDoS
 - Connectivity

Understand the Impact

- Financial
- Reputational
- Fraud
- Loss of privacy for both staff and constituents
- Legal and regulatory ramifications

Cybersecurity – Needs to be Organization-wide

- Needs to involve the whole organization
- Requires buy-in and direction from executive level
- Organization be vested in IT governance
- IT governance helps to lower security risk posture (reduce your attack vectors) and properly respond to a security incident (a successful payload)

Cybersecurity – Organizational

- National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) describes Information Technology governance as:
 - The process of establishing and maintaining a framework to provide assurance that information security strategies support the following:
 - o Align with and support business objectives.
 - Consistent with applicable laws and regulations through adherence to policies and internal controls.
 - Provide assignment of responsibility (all in an effort to mitigate risk).
 - o https://www.nist.gov/cyberframework

8. Start Planning; You Need to Take Action

- This is your cybersecurity plan it doesn't have to be fully complete
- Perform a security-focused network assessment:
 - Inventory digital assets
 - Benchmark security position of the organization
 - Identifies areas for improvement
- Assess your risk by seeking advice from legal council
- Investigate cyber insurance and understand the policies
- Provide security awareness training to users
- Start developing policies
- Start outlining incident response plan

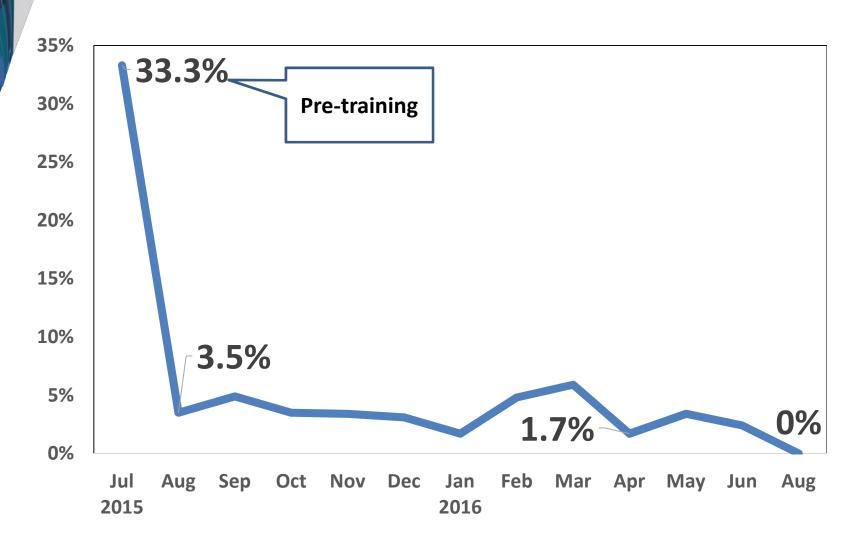
9. Know the Basics; Security Measures

- Firewall
- Spam filtering
- Operating system updates
- Third-party application security patching
- Intrusion prevention and detection (IPS-IDS)
- Next-generation anti-virus/anti-malware
- Multi-factor authentication
- Backup
- OpenDNS

Basic Security Measures

- Of the successful attacks, 99% are successful because organizations/people fail to do the basics right!
 - Up-to-date anti-virus
 - Different and changing passwords
 - Patches and updates all functional systems
 - Switch on anti-spam and anti-phishing options in email
 - Implement security layers (OpenDNS)
 - Train staff and encourage them to be cyber savvy at work and at home (KnowBe4, PhishMe)

Security Awareness Training



10. Have an Incident Response Plan

- Preparation
- Detection and analysis
- Communication
- Containment, eradication, recovery
- Post-incident activity

Incident Response

- Involves quick decision-making
 - Decisions made in the moment almost always bad
- Mistakes can prevent collection/destroy evidence
- Mistakes cost money
- Technical approach
- Declare an incident or not?
- Notification customers and authorities?



Know What to Consider

- How critical is the threatened data?
- What is the business impact?
- What are the systems targeted, FMS, AMS?
- Inside or outside the network?
- Is the incident real or perceived?
- Is the breach in progress?



- Don't be scared be prepared
- Cybersecurity is risk management
- Everyone is responsible staff training and testing is key!
- Bring in experts as needed

Resources

- NIST Cybersecurity Framework <u>https://www.nist.gov/cyberframework</u>
- ISO27001/2 Information Security Management http://www.iso.org/iso/home/standards/management-standards/iso27001.htm
- Center for Internet Security Top 20 Critical Security Controls https://www.cisecurity.org/critical-controls.cfm



 FutureLearn – Introduction to Cybersecurity <u>https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/introduction-to-cyber-security</u>

- Subscriptions:
 - US-Cert https://www.us-cert.gov/
 - Brian Krebs (Cybersecurity Investigative Blogger)
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