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# **Protocol Summary**

PasswordStore is a protocol dedicated to storage and retrieval of a user's passwords. The protocol is designed to be used by a single user, and is not designed to be used by multiple users. Only the owner should be able to set and access this password.

# **Disclaimer**

The Perspectree team makes all effort to find as many vulnerabilities in the code in the given time period, but holds no responsibilities for the findings provided in this document. A security audit by the team is not an endorsement of the underlying business or product. The audit was time-boxed and the review of the code was solely on the security aspects of the Solidity implementation of the contracts.

# **Risk Classification**

		Impact		
		High	Medium	Low
Likelihood	High	Н	H/M	М
	Medium	H/M	М	M/L
	Low	М	M/L	L

We use the CodeHawks severity matrix to determine severity. See the documentation for more details.

# **Audit Details**

#### Commit Hash:

```
1 7d55682ddc4301a7b13ae9413095feffd9924566
```

## Scope

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```
1 ./src/
2 #-- PasswordStore.sol
```

#### Role

- Owner: The user who can set the password and read the password.
- Outsiders: No one else should be able to set or read the password.

# **Executive Summary**

Add some notes about how the audit went, types of things you found, etc. We spent X hours with Z auditors using Y tools. etc

#### **Issues found**

Severity	Number of issues found		
High	2		
Medium	0		
Low	1		
Info	1		
Gas Optimizations	0		
Total	0		

# **Findings**

# High

# [H-1] Storing the password on-chain makes it visible to anyone, and no longer private

**Likelihood & Impact:** - Impact: High - Likelihood: High - Severity: High / Critical **Description:** 

All data stored on-chain is visible to anyone, and can be read directly from the blockchain. The PasswordStore::s\_password variable is intended to be a private variable and should only be accessed through PasswordStore::getPassword() function, which is intended to be only called by the owner of the contract.

We show one such method of reading any data off chain below.

#### Impact:

Anyone can read the private password, severely breaking the functionality of the protocol.

#### **Proof of Concept:**

The below test case shows how anyone can read the password directly from the blockchain.

- 1. Create a locally running chain bash make anvil
- 2. Deploy the contract to the chain bash make deploy
- 4. Copy the output and run the below command to convert it to readable text bash cast parse-bytes32-string <output> You should get the password in plain text: bash myPassword

#### **Recommended Mitigation:**

Due to this, the overall architecture of the contract should be rethought. One could encrypt the password off-chain, and then store the encrypted password on-chain. This would require the user to remember another password off-chain to decrypt the password. However, you'd also likely want to remove the view function as you wouldn't want the user to accidentally send a transaction with the password that decrypts your password.

# [H-2] PasswordStore::setPassword() function has no access control, meaning anyone can change the password

**Likelihood & Impact:** - Impact: High - Likelihood: High - Severity: High / Critical

## **Description:**

The natspec comment for the PasswordStore::setPassword() function states This function allows only the owner to set a **new** password but there is no access

control in the function to enforce this. This means that anyone can call this function and change the password.

```
function setPassword(string memory newPassword) external {
    // @audit-bug no access control
    s_password = newPassword;
    emit SetNetPassword();
}
```

## Impact:

Anyone can set/change the password of the contract, severely breaking the functionality of the contract.

### **Proof of Concept:**

Add the following to the PasswordStore.t.sol file:

Code

```
function test_anyone_can_set_password(address _randomAddress)
1
          public {
           vm.assume(_randomAddress != owner);
3
           vm.startPrank(_randomAddress);
4
           string memory expectedPassword = "myNewPassword";
5
           passwordStore.setPassword(expectedPassword);
6
7
           vm.startPrank(owner);
8
           string memory actualPassword = passwordStore.getPassword();
9
           assertEq(actualPassword, expectedPassword);
10
11
       }
```

#### **Recommended Mitigation:**

Add an access control modifier to the setPassword() function to ensure only the owner can change the password.

```
modifier onlyOwner() {
    if(msg.sender != owner) {
        revert PasswordStore__NotOwner();
    }
    -;
}
```

#### Medium

#### Low

#### Informational

[I-1] The PasswordStore: : getPassword() netspec indicates a parameter that doesn't exist, causing the netspec to be incorrect

**Likelihood & Impact:** - Impact: None - Likelihood: Low - Severity: Informational / Gas / Non-critical **Description:** 

#### Impact:

The natspec comment is incorrect and could cause confusion for developers reading the code.

#### **Recommended Mitigation:**

Remove the incorrect natspec comment.

```
1 - * @param newPassword The new password to set.
2 +
```

#### Gas