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Protocol Summary

The protocol PasswordStorage is a protocol thats designed to store a password on-chain, to be retrieved by the owner anytime they want, It's designed so that only the owner is able to access that password.

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Disclaimer

The YOUR_NAME_HERE 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
	High	Н	H/M	М
Likelihood	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

"' 2e8f81e263b3a9d18fab4fb5c46805ffc10a9990"'

Scope

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

Roles

- Owner: The user who can set and retrive a password
- Outsider: Any other users who will not be able to set or retrieve a password set by the owner

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Executive Summary

How it went?

Issues found

Severity	Number of Issues Found
High	2
Medium	0
Low	0
Info	1
Total	3

Findings

High

[H-1] Storing the password on-chain makes it visible to anyone and no longer private (Root cause + Impact)

Description: All data stored on-chain is visible to anyone, and can be read directly by anyone The PasswordStore::s_password variable is intented to be private and only accessable by the PasswordStore::getPassword function only owner can run

We show one such method of reading data off chain below

Impact: Anyone can read the private password, severly breaking the functionality of the protocol.

Proof of Concept: (Proof of code)

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

1. Create a locally running chain

```
1 make anvil
```

2. Deploy the contract on the chain

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```
1 make deploy
```

3. Get the storage, This will return everything stored in storage, which includes the password

```
1 cast storage <CONTRACT ADDRESS HERE> 1 --rpc-url http://127.0.0.1:8545
```

4. Grab the hex value of the password, and convert it into string

You will get output: myPassword

Recommended Mitigation: Due to this, overall architecture of the contract should be rethough, one could encrypt the password off-chain and store the encrypted password in storage, and it gets decrypted when owner gets the password off-chain, however, you'd also lickely 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 controls, meaning a non-owner can change the password (Root Cause + Impact)

Description: The function PasswordStore::setPassword is set as an external function, and it does not have access control, However, the natspec of that function clearly states that This function allows only the owner to set a **new** password.wether or not the owner is calling the function.

```
function setPassword(string memory newPassword) external {
    // @audit - There are no access controls here
    s_password = newPassword;
    emit SetNetPassword();
}
```

Impact: Non-owner users can call the function PasswordStore::setPassword, and change the password, severly breaking the contracts intended functionality.

Proof of Concept: Add the following to the PasswordStore.t.sol test file.

Code

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```
function testAnyOneCanSetPassword(address randomAddress) public{
1
2
          vm.assume(randomAddress != owner);
          vm.prank(randomAddress);
3
          string memory expectedPassword = "myNewPassword";
4
5
          passwordStore.setPassword(expectedPassword);
          vm.prank(owner);
          string memory actualPassword = passwordStore.getPassword();
8
9
          assertEq(actualPassword, expectedPassword);
      }
```

Recommended Mitigation: Add an access control conditional to the setPassword function.

```
1 if(msg.sender != s_owner){
2    revert PasswordStore__NotOwner();
3 }
```

Informational

[I-1] The PasswordStore: getPassowrd natspec indicated a parameter that doesn't exist, causing the natspec to be wrong (Root Cause + Impact)

Description:

```
1  /*
2  * @notice This allows only the owner to retrieve the password.
3 @>  * @param newPassword The new password to set.
4  */
5  function getPassword() external view returns (string memory) {
```

natspec indicated a param newPassword, but the function signature is getPassword(), not getPassword(string)

Impact: THe natspec is incorrect

Recommended Mitigation: Remove the incorrect natspec line.

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

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