1. Show all users

- o net user
- o Disable guest accounts

2. Change Passwords for ALL USERS

- O Change administrators passwords first and then all users
- Open start menu
- o Type cmd
- Right click on cmd as "run as administrator"
- o net user <user-name> *
- o Change SQL Server passwords
 - Security->Logins->Right-click->Properties
- Change passwords for web services

3. Security Updates

- Search for "check for updates"
- Only downloaded recommended/important updates (uncheck)
- o Only check the updates that say "Security Update"
- O WINDOWS 10 "Advanced options > defer feature updates"

4. Download and Install Malwarebytes

5. Firewall

- o Search for "firewall"
- o Inbound and outbound rules
- Setup this first rule to close all connections
 - Click *inbound rules* (on left side of window)
 - Click new rule (on right of window)
 - Click port and next
 - Click all local ports
 - Click block the connection
 - Add name in UPPERCASE.
- O Proceed to add ports according to specific computer

6. Check for processes running (make a white list)

- o tasklist
- o taskkill -PID <pid-num> -f
- O DO NOT KILL the following ports
- o RPCss (135), eventlog service (49409), Spoolsv (49410), schedule (49411), Isass.exe (49414)

7. Check for ports open

o netstat -anob

8. Group Policy Template

- O User Account Policies
 - Set minimum password length.
 - Enable password complexity requirements.
 - Do not store passwords using reversible encryption. (Default)

- Configure account lockout policy.
- O Make sure LM hash disabled

9. Patch specific vulnerabilities

XP	10	2003	Vista/200 8	2012	7
MS08-067 MS06-040 MS12-020 MS03-026		MS09-050 MS08-067 MS06-040 MS03-026 MS10-061	MS09_050 MS12-020 MS10-061		MS09_050 MS12-020

- O Download patches from here:
- o http://www.catalog.update.microsoft.com/
- o http://www.wsusoffline.net/docs/

10. Install EMET

11. Auditing Policy

- Group Policy Domain Controller
- o Local Policy
- 12. MBSA (Microsoft baseline security analyzer)

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13. SCM (Windows security compliance manager)

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14. Event Viewer: see how logins

o http://www.howtogeek.com/124313/how-to-see-who-logged-into -a-computer-and-when/

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Sources

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