

FINAL PROJECT TEMPLATE



Event Summarization

The incidents reported by Hospital A, Hospital B, and Hospital C indicate a ransomware attack and a System Disruption. The infiltration was done using Phishing method – as an attachment emailed to an Technologic employee. Ransomware is a type of malicious software that Blocks access to key components of the network and demands a ransom payment, in Bitcoin, in exchange for the decryption key. The attackers gain unauthorized access to the hospitals' centralized log management systems, encrypt the files, and display a ransom message demanding payment for the decryption key

■ **Asset:** All files from servers

■ **Impact:** Confidentiality and Availability of data

■ **Threat Actor:** Cybercriminal groups FIN4 that attach healthcare establishment.

■ **Threat Actor Motivation:** Financial Motivation.

■ **Common Threat Actor Techniques:** (Phishing Emails, encryption of files, Ransom Demands, Untraceable payment option, Time constraint.)

Threat profile

- Goals and Intent: fraud, theft of intellectual property (IP), and potentially espionage. The attackers aim to exploit vulnerabilities in the hospitals' systems to gain financial benefits
- Consequences: Financial Impact: Hospitals may suffer financial losses due to ransom payments, and disruption to operations and patient care. Also reputational Impact
- Target: Hospitals.
- Capabilities: The threat group behind the attack have the technical expertise necessary to conduct targeted and persistent attacks.
- Tactics: The threat group is known to employ various tactics, including: Spearphishing:
- Credential Theft: The attackers gain broader access to critical systems and data.
- Exploiting Vulnerabilities: The attackers take advantage of unpatched vulnerabilities in Windows systems,
- Timeframe: The timeframe for the attack is undetermined.

VULNERABILITY SCANNING TARGETS

■ Summary of scan targets:

- Number of devices scanned: 1
- Device type: Remote device type
- Primary purpose of device: general purpose computer

(insert 2 screenshots from scan configuration window – one of the settings tab and one of the plugins tab- see next slide)

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Settings Credentials Plugins

BASIC

- General
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DISCOVERY

ASSESSMENT

REPORT

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Name: Vulnerability SCAN - HospitalX (Ghira)

Description: Let's play a cat and mouse game!

Folder: My Scans

Targets: 168.63.129.16

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Settings Credentials Plugins

PLUGIN FAMILY	TOTAL	PLUGIN NAME	PLUGIN ID
AIX Local Security Checks	11373	AIX 5.1 : IY19744	22372
Amazon Linux Local Security Checks	1605	AIX 5.1 : IY20486	22373
Backdoors	121	AIX 5.1 : IY21309	22374
CentOS Local Security Checks	3077	AIX 5.1 : IY22266	22375
CGI abuses	4294	AIX 5.1 : IY22268	22376
CGI abuses : XSS	685	AIX 5.1 : IY23041	22377
CISCO	1454	AIX 5.1 : IY23846	22378
Databases	684	AIX 5.1 : IY23847	22379
Debian Local Security Checks	6873	AIX 5.1 : IY24231	22380
Default Unix Accounts	171	AIX 5.1 : IY25437	22381
Denial of Service	110	AIX 5.1 : IY25504	22382
DNS	191	AIX 5.1 : IY25513	22383
F5 Networks Local Security Checks	896	AIX 5.1 : IY25661	22384
Fedorak Local Security Checks	15393	AIX 5.1 : IY26221	22385
Firewalls	287	AIX 5.1 : IY26302	22386
FreeBSD Local Security Checks	4382	AIX 5.1 : IY27270	22387
FTP	256	AIX 5.1 : IY27322	22388
Gain a shell remotely	281	AIX 5.1 : IY27649	22389
General	296	AIX 5.1 : IY28158	22390
Gentoo Local Security Checks	2909	AIX 5.1 : IY28170	22391
HP-UX Local Security Checks	1983	AIX 5.1 : IY28406	22392

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Scans Settings

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Sev	Name	Family	Count
MIXED	DNS (Multiple Issues)	DNS	3
MEDIUM	DNS Server Recursive Quer...	DNS	1
LOW	DHCP Server Detection	Service detection	1
INFO	HTTP (Multiple Issues)	Web Servers	2
INFO	Nessus SYN scanner	Port scanners	2
INFO	Common Platform Enumera...	General	1
INFO	Device Type	General	1
INFO	Nessus Scan Information	Settings	1
INFO	OS Identification	General	1
INFO	Service Detection	Service detection	1
INFO	TCP/IP Timestamps Support...	General	1
INFO	Traceroute Information	General	1

Scan Details

Policy: Basic Network Scan
Status: Completed
Scanner: Local Scanner
Start: Today at 7:40 AM
End: Today at 7:50 AM
Elapsed: 10 minutes

Vulnerabilities



Critical
High
Medium
Low
Info

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VULNERABILITY SCAN RESULTS

■ Summary of findings:

- . Total number of actionable findings:
 - Critical: 0 %
 - High: 0 %
 - Medium: 17 %
 - Low: 8%
 - Info 75 %

(insert screenshot from scan results dashboard – see next slide)



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12 Vulnerabilities



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Host Details

IP: 168.63.129.16
OS: Microsoft Windows 10
Start: Today at 7:40 AM
End: Today at 7:50 AM
Elapsed: 10 minutes
KB: Download

Vulnerabilities



- Critical
- High
- Medium
- Low
- Info

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CRITICAL	HIGH	MEDIUM	LOW	INFO

Severity CVSS Plugin Name

MEDIUM	5.0	10539	DNS Server Recursive Query Cache Poisoning Weakness	If this is your internal nameserver, then the attack vector may be limited to employees or guest access if allowed.
MEDIUM	5.0	35450	DNS Server Spoofed Request Amplification DDoS	If you are probing a remote nameserver, then it allows anyone to use it to resolve third party names (such as www.nessus.org). This allows attackers to perform cache poisoning attacks against this nameserver.
LOW	3.3	10663	DHCP Server Detection	If the host allows these recursive queries via UDP, then the host can be used to 'bounce' Denial of Service attacks against another network or system. "Restrict recursive queries to the hosts that should use this nameserver (such as those of the LAN connected to it).
INFO	N/A	45590	Common Platform Enumeration (CPE)	If you are using bind 8, you can do this by using the instruction 'allow-recursion' in the 'options' section of your named.conf.
INFO	N/A	11002	DNS Server Detection	If you are using bind 9, you can define a grouping of internal addresses using the 'acl' command.
INFO	N/A	54615	Device Type	Then, within the options block, you can explicitly state: 'allow-recursion { hosts_defined_in_acl }'
INFO	N/A	10107	HTTP Server Type and Version	If you are using another name server, consult its documentation. "<http://www.nessus.org/u?c4dcf24a>"
INFO	N/A	24260	HyperText Transfer Protocol (HTTP) Information	"10663","","3.3","Low","168.63.129.16","udp","67","DHCP Server Detection","The remote DHCP server may expose information about the associated network." "This script contacts the remote DHCP server (if any) and attempts to retrieve information about the network layout.
INFO	N/A	11219	Nessus SYN scanner	Some DHCP servers provide sensitive information such as the NIS domain name, or network layout information such as the list of the network web servers, and so on.
INFO	N/A	19506	Nessus Scan Information	It does not demonstrate any vulnerability, but a local attacker may
INFO	N/A	11996	OS Identification	
INFO	N/A	22964	Service Detection	
INFO	N/A	25220	TCP/IP Timestamps Supported	
INFO	N/A	10287	Traceroute Information	

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Plugin ID,CVE,CVSS,Risk,Host,Protocol,Port,Name,Synopsis,Description,Solution,See Also,Plugin Output,STIG Severity,CVSS v3.0 Base Score,CVSS Temporal
"10107","","","None","168.63.129.16","tcp","80","HTTP Server Type and Version","A web server is running on the remote host.","This plugin attempts to
remote web server.","n/a","","The remote web server type is :

Microsoft-IIS/10.0","","","","","None","","","","","2000/01/04","2020/06/12","","","",""
"10287","","","None","168.63.129.16","udp","0","Traceroute Information","It was possible to obtain traceroute information.","Makes a traceroute to the
10.0.0.4
168.63.129.16

Hop Count: 1
","","","","","None","","","","","1999/11/27","2019/03/06","","","",""
"10539","CVE-1999-0024","5.0","Medium","168.63.129.16","udp","53","DNS Server Recursive Query Cache Poisoning Weakness","The remote name server allows
by the host running nessusd.","It is possible to query the remote name server for third-party
names.

If this is your internal nameserver, then the attack vector may
be limited to employees or guest access if allowed.

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to use it to resolve third party names (such as www.nessus.org).
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100% No issues found

REMEDIATION RECOMMENDATION

■ Fix within 7 days

Finding	Severity Rating	Recommended Fix
DNS Server Spoofed Request Amplification DDos	Medium	Restrict access to your DNS server from public network or reconfigure it to reject such queries
DNS server Recursive query cache poisoning windows	Medium	Restrict recursive queries to the host that should use this nameserver
DHCP Server Detection	Low	Apply filtering to keep this information off the network and remove any option that is not in use

■ Fix within 30 days

Finding	Severity Rating	Recommended Fix
DNS Server Detection	Info	Disable this service if it is not needed / restrict access to internal hosts only if the service is available externally.

■ Fix within 60 days

Finding	Severity Rating	Recommended Fix
HTTP Information	Info	N/A

PASSWORD PENETRATION TEST OUTCOME

■ Methodology:

- In order to determine the values for the hash, the hashcat was installed on my personal computer.
- Was runed from Powershell using `cd C:\hashcat .\hashcat.exe -I`

- One commands was tried in order to find the values for the hash:
`PS C:\hashcat> .\hashcat.exe -m 0 -a 0 -o p3hash.txt example.dict --force -show`

■ Number of passwords tested: 41

■ Number of passwords cracked: 38

■ Evidence of weak passwords: 38 (MD5 encryption type)

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PS C:\hashcat> .\hashcat.exe -m 0 -a 0 -o p3hash.txt example.dict --force --show
37b4e2d82900d5e94b8da524fbeb33c0:football
5f4dcc3b5aa765d61d8327deb882cf99:password
d8578edf8458ce06fbcb5bb76a58c5ca4:qwerty
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9d107d09f5bbe40cade3de5c71e9e9b7:letmein
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e10adc3949ba59abbe56e057f20f883e:123456
Fc5e038d38a57032085441e7fe7010b0:helloworld
276f8db0b86edaa7fc805516c852c889:baseball
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ef6e65efc188e7dff7335b646a85a21:thomas
f78f2477e949bee2d12a2c540fb6084f:tigger
584c851af59965b680086b7b4896ff98:robert
da443a0ad979d5530df38ca1a74e4f80:soccer
99754106633f94d350db34d548d6091a:fuck
PS C:\hashcat>
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■ Recommended steps to improve passwords security:

1. Use Strong and Complex Passwords: A strong password should be at least 12 characters long and + uppercase and lowercase letters, +numbers + special characters.
2. Regularly Update Passwords: Update their passwords, preferably every 90 days.
3. Implement Password Managers like OKTA password manager.

INCIDENT RESPONSE PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT

■ Summarize ongoing incident:

Multiple hospitals, including Hospital A, Hospital B, Hospital C, and five additional hospitals, have been targeted by a ransomware attack. The attack has resulted in the encryption of files, including centralized log files and backups, affecting the hospitals' ability to access critical systems and patient information. The attackers are taking advantage of an unpatched Windows vulnerability to execute the attack. The hospitals share the commonality of endorsing a recently passed healthcare law. This incident is considered a critical security incident.

Document actions or notes from the following steps of the initial incident response checklist

- Step 1: The entities that discovered the incident are similar establishments (Hospital A B C).
- Step 2: The indicator of compromise is system unavailability, and the potential impact of incident might be the full loss of data and system disruption. The system being affect is centralized log management systems, running on Windows with IP address
- Step 3: The confirmation of incident comes from the initial 3 Hospitals and other 5 hospitals that faced the same incident, as well as members from Hospital X. The incident is in progress. The response must be urgent. We do not care if any response will alert the attacker. This is an intrusion incident.
- Step 4: The incident affect a hospital and when the operation is being stopped, then life of some patience who are at ER, Surgery, Intensive Care, might be at immediate risk.
- Step 6: Category one. This is because of the disruption of operation in the hospital. (see step 4)

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INCIDENT RESPONSE RECOMMENDED ACTION

■ Summarize recommendation to contain, eradicate, and recover:

To contain, eradicate, and recover from the intrusion, the following recommendations are summarized:

Contain:

- Isolate affected computers from the network to prevent further spread of the ransomware and limit the impact on others.
- Identify and disconnect any compromised server/computer/router/printer/etc

Eradicate:

- Conduct a thorough cyber-forensic analysis to identify the exact ransomware used.
- Patch and update systems to resolve the vulnerabilities used by the cyber-criminals.

Recover:

- Restore systems and data from clean backups
- Verify the integrity and security of backups to ensure they are not affected or infected.
- Prioritize the restoration of critical systems and patient care functionalities to minimize the impact on healthcare operations.

Documented actions and notes from the IR checklist

Step 7:

Malware response procedure. IR needs to isolate affected systems, and to determine the impact of the infection, identify the ransomware used, and restore the systems and data from back-up.

Step 8:

Unable to check the logs, document the reason because of the technical issues, such as log server failure or data corruption, document these limits. When the logs have been deleted by the attacker, note the absence of logs and any indications of unauthorized access.

Step 9:

Re-install the affected system(s) from scratch and restore data from backups if necessary. Preserve evidence before doing this.

Make users change passwords if passwords may have been sniffed.

Ensure the system is fully patched.

Be sure real time virus protection and intrusion detection is running.

Step 12:

- The incident response was not fast, as from the first news of the incident, until the Hospital X was affected 4 hours passed, yet in this time, the staff was not informed about the incident, the network was not isolated, nor scanned, the system wasn't updated.
- Change all passwords and all users structure accounts. Change response procedure.
- To enable stronger firewall, to conduct data protection lessons to the staff. To migrate to a cloud based solution.