

Incident handler's journal

Instructions

As you continue through this course, you may use this template to record your findings after completing an activity or to take notes on what you've learned about a specific tool or concept. You can also use this journal as a way to log the key takeaways about the different cybersecurity tools or concepts you encounter in this course.

Date:	Entry: 01
03.05.2024	
Description	Security breach due to phishing scam via email
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The 5 W's	Capture the 5 W's of an incident.
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	When did the incident occur?
	Where did the incident happen?
	Why did the incident happen?
	The incident was due to an employee falling for a phishing scam. The employee
	then proceeded to click on the malicious attachment, which infected the
	computer and allowed the attackers access into the internal network. This was
	a ransomware attack, demanding for a large payment in order for the
	decryption key. The attackers had encrypted critical data, like medical records,
	blocking staff from performing their job function. The attack happened in a
	small U.S. health care clinic specializing in delivering primary-care services. The

	incident likely happened as staff have not been properly trained on how to spot phishing scams and the appropriate measures when one is identified. A malicious attachment was hastily clicked and caused a serious event for the business.
Additional notes	To stop this from happening again, proper and quarterly employee training is needed in security awareness. Covering common phishing and social engineering attacks, as well as strong password practices etc.

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Reflections/Notes: Record additional notes.