| CITT Haybook Battle Card. CSF BC-1000 - Lateral Movement - Internal Spearphisming | | |
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| (P) Preparation | (I) Identification | (C) Containment |
| Patch asset vulnerabilities Perform routine inspections of controls/weapons Maintain Antivirus/EDR application updates Create network segmentation Log traffic between network segments Incorporate threat intelligence Perform routine inspections of asset backups Conduct phishing simulations Conduct user security awareness training Conduct response training (this PBC) | Monitor: a. Email mirroring services that scan copies of emails for malicious content [1] b. Traffic patterns and packet contents, specifically looking for unusual uses of protocols internally [1] c. Network data for uncommon data flows. Processes utilizing the network that do not normally have network communication or have never been seen before are suspicious. [1] Investigate and clear ALL alerts associated with the impacted assets or accounts Routinely check firewall, IDS, IPS, and SIEM logs for any unusual activity | Inventory (enumerate & assess) Detect Deny Disrupt Degrade Deceive Destroy Observe -> Orient -> Decide -> Act Issue perimeter enforcement for known threat actor locations Archive scanning related artifacts such as IP addresses, user agents, and requests Determine the source and pathway of the attack Fortify non-impacted critical assets |
| (E) Eradication Close the attack vector by applying the Preparation steps listed above Perform endpoint/AV scans on targeted systems Reset any compromised passwords Inspect ALL assets and user activity for IOC consistent with the attack profile Inspect backups for IOC consistent with the attack profile PRIOR to system recovery Patch asset vulnerabilities | (R) Recovery 1. Restore to the RPO (Recovery Point Objective) within the RTO (Recovery Time Objective) 2. Address any collateral damage by assessing exposed technologies 3. Resolve any related security incidents 4. Restore affected systems to their last clean backup | (L) Lessons/Opportunities Perform routine cyber hygiene due diligence Engage external cybersecurity-as-a-service providers and response professionals Implement policy changes to reduce future risk Utilize newly obtained threat signatures Avoid opening email and attachments from unfamiliar senders Avoid opening email attachments from senders that do not normally include attachments Pay attention to unusual behavior exhibited by trusted parties Remember that data and events should not be viewed in isolation but as part of a chain of behavior that could lead to other activities |
| | | References: 1. MITRE ATT&CK Technique T1534: https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1534/ |

Resources:

- → GuardSight GSVSOC Incident Response Plan: https://github.com/guardsight/gsvsoc_cybersecurity-incident-response-plan
- → IT Disaster Recovery Planning: https://www.ready.gov/it-disaster-recovery-plan
- → Report Cybercrime: https://www.ic3.gov/Home/FAQ

