



M2A Building a Cybersecurity Auditing and Monitoring Plan

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Who We Are

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Focus Areas

- How to decide
- Granular vs Broad

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HIPAA

- HIPAA compared to other regulations
- Overwhelming amount of guidance
- Levels of risk
- Related frameworks
- HIPAA is not the only compliance concern

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Risk Assessment

- Requirements (as they apply to your organization)
- Systems
- Users
- Types of Data
- Lengthy process – there are tools to help!
- This process takes time

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Common Threats

- Users
 - Mobile Devices
 - Passwords
 - User Access/Terminations
- Ransomware
- Pandemic “inspired”
 - EHR is more valuable
 - Vaccine and COVID specific threats
 - Work From Home – increased risk

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Now What?

- Who is in charge?
- Auditing and monitoring
- How do you develop action plans?



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Plan Examples

- Auditing logs and software
 - Is SIEM for you?
- Who is reviewing and where does it go?
- What is your workflow for sharing this data?

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Plan Examples

- Mobile Devices
 - Who has them?
 - BYOD
 - Encryption
- Mobile Device Management (MDM)
- Virtual Private Network (VPN)

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Policies

- Major risk areas require written policies even where policy may not be required by statute.
- Audits are great for trends – this needs constant monitoring
- New account creation
 - Who?
 - Template based?
- Highest risk user groups
 - Permission groups
 - Scrutinized more
- Terminations
 - Advance notice
 - Heavily monitor
 - Cooperation between HR and IT

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Train. Keep Training.

- Staff awareness: know the threats, not just the rules
- Training on hire is only the beginning
- Set work plan for role-based training
- Bite-sized pieces are easier to digest
- Did something go wrong? Time to train. Again. Embrace the repetitive.
- This stuff is fun! It pertains to real life!

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Questions?

