



INCIDENT RESPONSE CHECKLIST

Make Your vCISO Engagement More Successful

Before the incident

- ☐ Understand your insurance policy before an incident even happens (has anyone reviewed it)
 - ☐ What will they cover and won't
- ☐ Have a plan in place
 - ☐ Define roles
 - ☐ PR
 - ☐ The right message is important
 - ☐ Legal
 - ☐ Define communication channels
 - ☐ Know what laws you're bound to
 - ☐ How to contact law enforcement
- ☐ Practice the plan
- ☐ Be proactive with your security measures
 - ☐ Risk assessment
 - ☐ Vuln scanning

Classify the incident

- ☐ Figure out what it is
- ☐ Figure out what it affects
- ☐ Will this dip into any compliance or legal requirements (HIPAA)

After classification

- ☐ Is it a minor incident - can the internal team handle it?
- ☐ Bring in a CSIRT team if your team is having issues handling it
 - ☐ Good at IT \neq good at security or incident response
 - ☐ What does your insurance provider say about your insurance policy

While the CSIRT team is involved

- ☐ Contain the event
 - ☐ Make sure you follow the plan
 - ☐ Work in tandem with the CSIRT team to handle that
- ☐ Preserve and isolate evidence so the CSIRT team can analyze it
- ☐ Work to eradicate
- ☐ Trust the CSIRT team
 - ☐ Don't remove anything that the team has implemented—the team is there to work on your behalf and with your best interests in mind
- ☐ Recovery
 - ☐ Get back to where you were before it happened
 - ☐ Bring in aspects of your disaster recovery team
- ☐ Follow Up

- ☐ Reporting
- ☐ Regular updates with insurance
 - ☐ Days and dollars to containment
- ☐ Post-mortem
 - ☐ Knowing what happened and how, what do we need to change to prevent this from happening again?
 - ☐ Do changes need to be made to the plan?
 - ☐ Second risk assessment?

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