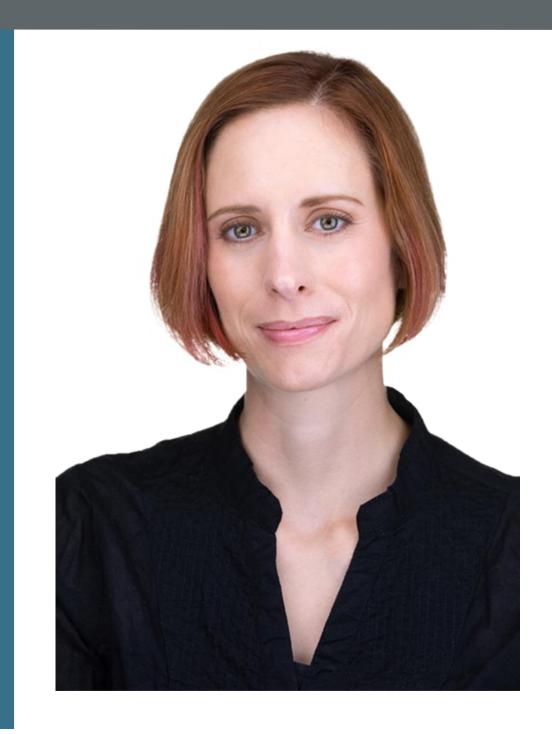


# Cyber-Security: An Actionable Plan to Keep Your Community Safe and Compliant



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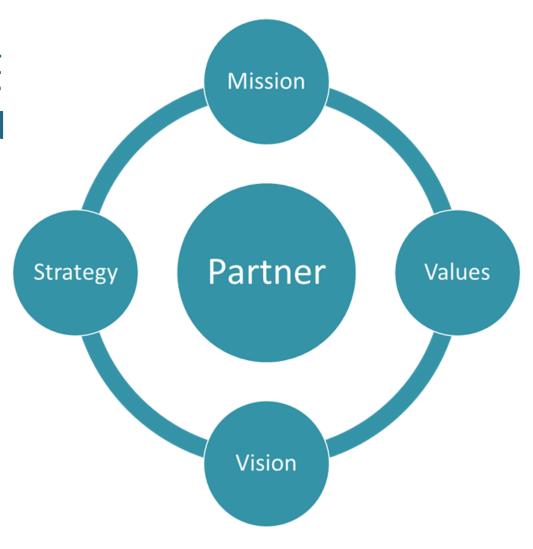
# What is Parasol Alliance?



# Senior Living Expertise

We specialize in strategic planning, project management and IT operations to help our clients effectively leverage technology and achieve their long-range goals.

- Serving more than 40 communities
- Decades of senior living expertise on our team
- Executed more than 60 strategic plans
- Completed over 500 projects
- Supporting over **8,000** end users



Our Vision: Transform Technology Culture in Senior Living

# Award Winning Culture 18 Workplace Awards











# Cybersecurity

#### In this session, we will discuss:

- what does cybersecurity really mean.
- what communities should be doing to protect themselves against cybersecurity threats.
- how to ensure your staying HIPAA compliant and proactively securing your PHI.
- what steps you should be taking to ensure your cyber-insurance eligibility and at the best rates.



# What is Cybersecurity?

The practice of protecting critical systems and sensitive information.

#### Examples include:

- Preventative
- Training
- Monitoring
- Recovery

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# Cybersecurity: Why is it Important?



- 66% of organizations were victims of cyber-attacks in the past year, with the average remediation cost of \$1.4 million.
- 91% of data breaches start with a phishing attack on your employees.



- ALL senior living organizations are required to do an annual HIPAA security assessment.
- Increased difficulty securing cyber insurance.

# Cybersecurity: The Implications



The frequency of cyber attacks is rising globally while being accompanied by an increase in sophistication.

This can be worrying for many senior living communities that may lack the tools, training and other internal resources to successfully ward off malicious actors on their own.

# Cybersecurity: The Implications

It's essential that senior living communities take a proactive approach to their cybersecurity policies and utilize best-in-class tools to keep their community secure and compliant.



# Cybersecurity: Strategy

Today, all technology related business decisions should be made through the scope of cybersecurity and compliance in mind.

# Cybersecurity Insurance



The process for securing coverage has changed.

Fewer insurance providers are offering cyber insurance and the qualifications for securing coverage have become more in depth.



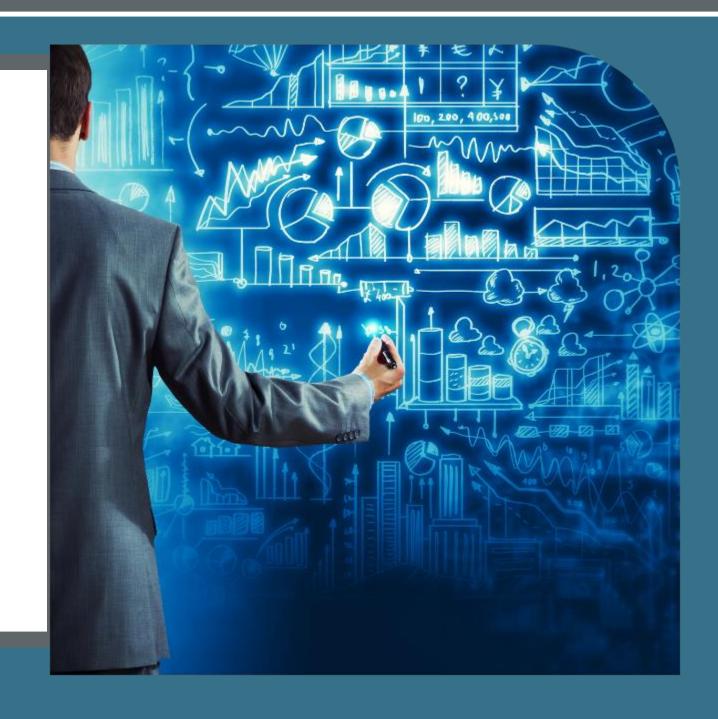
# What Cybersecurity Strategy Looks Like

- Baseline assessment
- Prioritization of findings
- Remediation
- Monitoring



# Types of Cyber Attacks

- Malware
- Ransomware
- Phishing/social engineering
- Insider threats
- DDoS attacks
- Man-in-the-middle attacks



# What Information is Being Targeted?

- Personally identifiable information:
  - Name
  - Addresses
  - Social Security numbers
  - Credit card information
  - Protected health information





## Cybersecurity: Example Layers of Protection



- Network security
- Application security
- Account security
- Cloud security
- End-user education
- Disaster recovery
- Monitoring and testing

## Cybersecurity Solutions: Vulnerability Scans

#### Goal:

Uncover vulnerabilities, threats, and risks attackers could exploit in network infrastructure, wireless, hardware, software, and web applications.



# **Email Security**

- ➤ Back-up standards
- ➤ Disaster recovery
- > Archiving
- **Encryption**
- >SPAM and virus filtering
  - MFA
- >DNS security
  - SPF
  - DMARC
  - DKIM



# Cybersecurity Solutions: Vulnerability Scans

#### Scope:

- Researching environment
- Testing and identification
- Types
  - External
  - Internal
- Reporting
  - Data obtained from network
  - Vulnerabilities
  - Recommendations



### Cybersecurity Solutions: End-User Training & Testing

#### Goal:

Keep staff educated and up-to-date on their role in organization's overall security.



## Cybersecurity Solutions: End-User Training & Testing



Namely, 91% of all data breaches begin with a successful phishing email sent to employees.

## Cybersecurity Solutions: End-User Training & Testing

#### Scope:

- Establish baseline
- Quarterly phishing campaigns
- Training modules, videos, quizzes
- Monthly awareness content
- Quarterly Reporting



# Cybersecurity Solutions: HIPAA Security Assessment

#### Goal:

- Identify where and how PHI is transmitted and stored.
- Evaluate security policies and procedures used to safeguard PHI.
- Document potential threats or vulnerabilities.
- Determine likelihood of threats.



# Cybersecurity Solutions: HIPAA Security Assessment

#### Scope:

- Planning
- Information gathering
- Assessment
- Reporting
- Remediation Plan
- Performed annually



# Bringing it All Together...

- 1. How to build a proactive plan to minimize data breaches and ransomware attacks through vulnerability scanning and staff training.
- 2. What steps you should take to ensure you're securing your PHI and staying HIPAA compliant.

3. How to ensure your community's eligibility for cyber-insurance in today's environment.



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