

OUCH! Newsletter – Social Engineering

This month's security focus is on *Social Engineering*. By understanding how social engineering works, people will be far better prepared to stop many of today's latest online attacks.

The OUCH! newsletter link is here

http://securingthehuman.sans.org/newsletters/ouch/issues/OUCH-201701_en.pdf.

US DHHS Office of Civil Rights in Action – Lost unencrypted USB Flash Drive costs insurance company \$2.2 million.

MAPFRE Life Insurance Company of Puerto Rico has agreed to settle noncompliance with HIPAA by paying \$2.2 million and implementing a corrective action plan. The full article is here

<https://www.hhs.gov/hipaa/for-professionals/compliance-enforcement/agreements/MAPFRE>

Phishing

Please forward **as an attachment** any phishing messages that you encounter to phish@unc.edu.

For an explanation of how to forward an email as an attachment please [read the following article](#) on help.unc.edu.

To check and see if you have a suspected Phishing email go to <http://its.unc.edu/phish-alerts/>

Encryption Project Status

Encryption is one of the few technologies specifically mentioned in HIPAA. It is crucial to encrypt all mobile computing and mobile storage devices that could come into contact with patient data to comply with HIPAA and University policy. According to OCIS records we have completed the encryption process for all faculty, staff and student laptop computers. It is now time to start re-checking devices to update their security status. OCIS will be contacting you regarding this shortly.

If you use USB flash drives, external hard drives or external backup devices (e.g. Time Machine or Time Capsule) with your encrypted laptop, they must also be encrypted and reported to OCIS. Failure to do so is a violation of HIPAA and University policy.

REMEMBER. If you have an unencrypted laptop, unencrypted external hard drive, unencrypted USB Flash Drive or unencrypted backup device and are using it here at the school or at home, please contact OCIS as soon as possible! Don't get caught with an unencrypted device.

USB Hardware Encrypted USB Flash Drives Distribution

OCIS has received 649 hardware encrypted USB flash drives for certain programs, departments and staff. OCIS is distributing these drives.

SoD Security Awareness Training Test Requirement

To comply with HIPAA and UNC policy, OCIS is now enforcing the annual SoD Security Awareness Training requirement. To access the EPR, you will now be required to take and pass both the HIPAA and SoD Security Awareness test. To take the SoD Security Awareness Training and test please go to <https://www.dentistry.unc.edu/secure/training/securityawareness/>. OCIS recently updated the HIPAA and Security Awareness test to align with campus' content changes. If you have questions, please contact OCIS.

Cyber Security Awareness Posters Available

OCIS still has security posters that you can display in your department. Please come down to OCIS to pick up posters for your department or unit.

HIPAA Security Incident Update

The last reported HIPAA security incident was a stolen laptop, external hard drive, USB Flash Drive and camera SD card. This incident was reported to the school on December 13, 2016, and is currently under investigation.

We have gone 36 days since the last HIPAA security incident. Stay vigilant.

OUCH! Archives

For previous issues and topics please go here:

<https://securingthehuman.sans.org/ouch/archives>

Security Awareness Tip of the Day

https://www.sans.org/tip_of_the_day.php

Remember. It is your personal responsibility to protect patient data (e.g. electronic Protected Health Information or ePHI) on laptop computers and portable media devices (e.g. CD/DVDs, USB keys, USB drives and SD Cards). In all cases, patient data can never be stored on a portable computing or media storage device unless it has been inventoried, encrypted and approved by OCIS.

Thanks and safe computing.

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For more information:

SoD Policies <https://www.dentistry.unc.edu/experience/policies/>

UNC Policies <http://its.unc.edu/about-us/how-we-operate/>

What is Sensitive Information? <http://help.unc.edu/help/examples-of-sensitive-information/>