Computer Security Incidents: Elements of Good Decision Making

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HRTC and the IT Forum invite you to learn from an Industry Expert:

- How to reduce your risks and support your recovery after an incident
- Explore real examples of how a small planning investment delivers big returns
- Introduction to the most common tools and methodologies used by a Computer Security Incident Response Team (CSIRT) during the lifecycle of an incident
- Discover the capabilities of local industry to support your IT Security and Compliancy Needs
- Collaborate with other local IT and Business leaders facing similar challenges

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Summary: Computer Security Incident… Hopefully, not three words you hear every day. But if a computer security incident were to occur, would you recognize it? Do you know who to call, what to do, and in what order? Under-reacting and overreacting can both be devastating, so how do you know? Planning for the right amount of response using the right procedures for a computer security incident can be like a beacon in a storm.

If there is information anywhere in your value chain, then some prudent planning up front can make all the difference. We’ll talk about some of the practices you can put in place in your business to reduce your risks and support your recovery after an incident. We’ll look at some of the most common planning elements that go into incident response and recovery plans. There are many prudent steps you can take now, that cost little or nothing, which make your chances of weathering a computer security incident. We’ll illustrate examples of how a small planning investment delivers big returns.

Once you’ve committed to a plan, what tools and technology do you need? Here too, risk can be reduced for little cost. We’ll introduce the most common tools and methodologies used by a Computer Security Incident Response Team (CSIRT) during the lifecycle of an incident. You should find approaches for protecting your business.

This high level overview will be valuable for anyone who is responsible for or manages IT infrastructure.