

5 TIPS TO CREATE A CYBER SAFE CULTURE



Creating a cyber-safe culture in your organization can prevent cyber-attacks that have the potential to shut down care facilities. When we are informed and change our thinking, we ultimately will continue to keep our patients safe.

Creating a cyber-safe culture starts with you! Check out the five tips to create a cyber-safe culture in your organization!

PRACTICE CYBER HYGIENE.

Cybersecurity practices reduce the risk of cyber-attacks and data breaches. Just as we are able to protect our patients from infection, we should work towards protecting patient data to allow physicians and caregivers to trust the systems that enable delivery of quality healthcare.

DON'T CLICK IT, CHECK IT!

Email phishing is the number one way that cyber-attacks occur. Always be cyber vigilant and check hyperlinks before you click them.

PROTECT YOUR PATIENTS PHI.

It might seem obvious, but always remember protecting a patients PHI is also keeping them safe. Be sure to follow your organization's protocols when dealing with patient data, and use the appropriate protections when sending information to the appropriate parties.

SHARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF CYBERSECURITY.

Cybersecurity is a shared responsibility, not just an IT issue. Be proactive and work with your IT professionals by sharing suspicious activities in a timely fashion. You are the gateway to your organization and it is important to help your IT team help you, which ultimately protects patients!

LEARN YOUR ORGANIZATION'S CYBER PROTOCOLS.

Be an example to your fellow employees and learn your organization's cyber protocols. The best way to combat cyber-attacks is to stay vigilant and ensure everyone in your organization is aware and informed on cybersecurity protocols.

Everyone plays an important role in keeping our patients safe from cyber threats! To learn more about the top five cybersecurity threats facing the healthcare industry and practices you can use to mitigate them, check out the *Health Industry Cybersecurity Practices: Managing Threats and Protecting Patients* publication!



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