

Domain 4. Incident Response

Incident Response Phases

- Preparation
- Detection & Analysis
- Containment
- Eradication & Recovery
- Post Incident Activity

Communication plan

- Limiting communication to trusted parties
- Disclosing based on regulatory/legislative requirements
- Preventing inadvertent release of information
- Using a secure method of communication
- Reporting requirements

Reporting Requirements - Type of Breach

- Data exfiltration
- Insider data exfiltration
- Device theft/loss
- Accidental data breach
- Integrity/availability

Response coordination

- Legal
- Human resources
- Public relations
- Internal and external
- Law enforcement
- Senior leadership
- Regulatory bodies

Data Criticality and Prioritization

- Personally Identifiable Information (PII)
- Sensitive Personal Information (SPI)
- Personal Health Information (PHI)
- Financial Information
- Intellectual property (IP)
- Corporate Information
- high value asset (HVA)

Preparation Phase

- Training
- Testing
- Documentation of procedures

Documentation of Procedures

- Incident Response Plan
- Call List/Escalation List
- Incident Form

OODA loop

- Observe
- Orient
- Decide
- Act



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Defensive Capabilities

- Detect
- Destroy
- Degrade
- Disrupt
- Deny
- Deceive

Immediate impact

direct costs incurred because of an incident

Total impact

costs that arise following the incident, including damage to the company's reputation

Incident Security Level Classification characteristics (Detection & Analytics)

- Data integrity
- System process criticality
- Downtime
- Economic
- Data correlation
- Reverse engineering
- Recovery time
- Detection time

Containment

- Isolation-Based Containment
- Segmentation-based Containment

Containment principals

- Ensure the safety and security of all personnel.
- Prevent ongoing intrusion or data breach.
- Identify whether the intrusion is the primary attack or a secondary one (part of a more complex campaign).
- Avoid alerting the attacker to the fact that the intrusion has been discovered.
- Preserve forensic evidence of the intrusion.

Eradication

- Sanitization and Secure Disposal (cryptographic erase, zero-fill)
- Reconstruction/Reimaging
- Reconstitution of Resources

cryptographic erase

A method of sanitizing a self-encrypting drive by erasing the media encryption key

zero-fill

A method of sanitizing a drive by setting all bits to zero.

Secure disposal

physical destruction by mechanical shredding or incineration

Reimage

A method of restoring a system that has been sanitized using an image-based backup.

Reconstruction

A method of restoring a system that has been sanitized using scripted installation routines and templates.



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Reconstitution	A method of restoring a system that cannot be sanitized using manual removal, reinstallation, and monitoring processes.
Recovery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Patching - Restoration of Permissions - Verification of Logging/Communication to Security Monitoring - Vulnerability Mitigation and System Hardening
Post-Incident Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Report Writing - Incident Summary Report - Evidence Retention

Domain 3. Security Operations and Monitoring

heuristic analysis	A method that uses feature comparisons and likenesses rather than specific signature matching to identify whether the target of observation is malicious.
Endpoint Data Collection and Analytics Tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Anti-virus (A-V) - Host-Based Intrusion Detection/Prevention (HIDS/HIPS) - Endpoint Protection Platform (EPP) - Endpoint Detection and Response (EDR) - User and Entity Behavior Analytics (UEBA)
Endpoint Protection Platform (EPP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a single agent performing multiple security tasks and features. - (malware/IDP), host firewall, web content filtering, (DLP) enforcement, and file/message encryption. - In an enterprise solution, there will also be a single management dashboard for configuring and monitoring hosts. - mostly signature-based detection and prevention
Endpoint Detection and Response (EDR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - focused on logging of endpoint observables and indicators combined with behavioral- and anomaly-based analysis. - to provide real-time and historical visibility, containment, and facilitate remediation of the host to its original state.

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User and Entity Behavior Analytics (UEBA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - analysis process supporting identification of malicious behaviors from comparison to a baseline - tracks user account behavior across different devices and cloud services
Sandboxing	technique that isolates untrusted data in a closed virtual environment to conduct tests and analyze the data for threats and vulnerabilities.
Disassemblers and Decompilers	software that translate low-level machine language code into higher level code
Malware Exploit Techniques	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Malware Exploit Techniques - Maintain access - Strengthen access - Actions on objectives - Concealment
Living off the land	subvert existing architecture, such as Windows PowerShell, to perform the malicious activity.



