

Week of November 18, 2024

Cybersecurity Headlines

Official Security Bulletins

Headlines from List of Official Government Sources

NASCIO Unveils New Report on Strengthening Cybersecurity in Underserved Communities - NASCIO

www.nascio.org

Lexington, KY, Thursday, November 21, 2024 – The National Association of State Chief Information Officers (NASCIO) released Bridging Digital Divides: Expanding Cybersecurity in Underserved Communities. As the world continues to become "digital by def...

CISA's Vulnerability Management goes "Big" on Interns and the Results are Staggering!

www.cisa.gov

This year, we had an outstanding summer intern program and felt compelled to share our experiences and results. Our goal is to not only celebrate our team's ingenuity and dedication but also to inspire others in the federal government to envision the possibilities of adopting a similar approach.

CISA Launches New Learning Platform to Enhance Training and Education U.S. Veterans and Other Stakeholders

www.cisa.gov

Washington – The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) announced the launch of CISA Learning, a learning management system that will modernize training and education for its employees and key stakeholders.

Justice Department Seizes Cybercrime Website and Charges Its Administrators

www.justice.gov

The Justice Department today announced the seizure of PopeyeTools, an illicit website and marketplace dedicated to selling stolen credit cards and other tools for carrying out cybercrime and fraud, and unsealed criminal charges against three PopeyeTo...

5 Defendants Charged Federally with Running Scheme that Targeted Victim Companies via Phishing Text Messages www.justice.gov

Law enforcement today unsealed criminal charges against five defendants who allegedly targeted employees of companies nationwide with phishing text messages and then used the harvested employee credentials to log in and steal non-public company data ...

Cybercrimes, Scams & Incidents

Headlines related to cybercrimes and scams including international cybersecurity news and high-profile incidents like ransomware and malware attacks

<u>Industry News</u>

Headlines collected from across the cybersecurity industry related to legislation, business, and big tech





1,400 Pegasus spyware infections detailed in WhatsApp's lawsuit filings therecord media

The filings, part of a lawsuit WhatsApp filed against the NSO Group in 2019, shine a light on how Israel-based NSO Group — a notoriously secretive company — operates the powerful Pegasus spyware on behalf of government customers.

AI program 'invigorating' state IT workforce | StateScoop

statescoop.com

Massachusetts CIO Jason Snyder said five new AI projects led by students are bringing new IT talent into the state's technology department.



T-Mobile Also Targeted in Chinese Telecom Hacking Campaign

www.securityweek.com

T-Mobile has also been targeted by the Chinese group Salt Typhoon in a major espionage campaign targeting US telecom companies.



CISOs can now obtain professional liability insurance

cyberscoop.com

New Jersey-based Crum & Forster recently unveiled a policy specifically designed to shield CISOs from personal liability.

Multiple Vulnerabilities in Apple Products Could Allow for Arbitrary Code Execution

www.cisecurity.org

Multiple vulnerabilities have been discovered in Apple products, the most severe of which could allow for arbitrary code execution. Successful exploitation of the most severe of these vulnerabilities could allow for arbitrary code execution in the...



Hackers nabbed emails between congressional staff and the Library of Congress www.govexec.com

Affected staff were notified Friday afternoon, according to an internal email. Capitol Hill communications with the Congressional Research Service frequently involve confidential legislative drafts or policies still in the brainstorming stage.



Warning: DEEPDATA Malware Exploiting Unpatched Fortinet Flaw to Steal VPN Credentials thehackernews.com

BrazenBamboo exploits an unpatched FortiClient flaw to steal VPN credentials using DEEPDATA malware. Fortinet users advised to stay alert.





Health Device Data Is Protected, but Also Used, Shared

www.govtech.com

Information collected by wearable technology, from smartwatches to fitness trackers and smart rings, is safeguarded by laws in some states. But much of it falls outside the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, and can be sold ...



DHS releases guidance for AI in critical infrastructure

www.govexec.com

The Homeland Security Department worked with its diverse AI Safety and Security Board to develop a holistic approach for securing critical infrastructure that leverages AI technologies.



300 Drinking Water Systems in US Exposed to Disruptive, Damaging Hacker Attacks www.securityweek.com

EPA flags security vulnerabilities in more than 300 drinking water systems that serve roughly 110 million individuals.

The Problem of Permissions and Non-Human Identities - Why Remediating Credentials Takes Longer Than You Think

thehackernews.com

79% of IT leaders face secrets leaks with 12.7M credentials exposed on GitHub. Learn solutions now.



Microsoft revamps how it will disclose vulnerabilities

www.cybersecuritydive.com

The company said the additional disclosure method using the Common Security Advisory Framework will help organizations better prioritize CVEs.



NIST publishes timeline for quantum-resistant cryptography, but enterprises must move faster www.csoonline.com

NIST wants agencies to move off current encryption by 2035, but analysts say that enterprises cannot wait nearly that long; state actors are expected to achieve quantum at scale by 2028.



Phishing emails increasingly use SVG attachments to evade detection www.bleepingcomputer.com

Threat actors increasingly use Scalable Vector Graphics (SVG) attachments to display phishing forms or deploy malware while evading detection.



Adding Value with Risk-Based Information Security www.isaca.org It is achievable to manage multiple control frameworks at the same time, with the effort of managing only one.

Good Essay on the History of Bad Password Policies - Schneier on Security

www.schneier.com

Stuart Schechter makes some good points on the history of bad password policies: Morris and Thompson's work brought muchneeded data to highlight a problem that lots of people suspected was bad, but that had not been studied scientifically. Their wor...

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