Cybersecurity Awareness Month

Multifactor Authentication

What is Multifactor Authentication (MFA)?

Multifactor Authentication is the process of adding more authentication to the sign-on process to protect you online. There are three elements to MFA - something you know (password/PIN), something you are (fingerprint/facial recognition), and something you have (debit card/cell phone/token). That may sound complicated, but it can be as simple as receiving a notification on your phone. In fact, all of us use MFA when we go to the ATM. You insert your debit card (something you have) and then enter a PIN (something you know). Adding MFA to other accounts can help keep you safe online.

MFA Tips!

☐ **1.** Enable MFA on any account that has the capability especially high-risk accounts like banking applications and medical portals.

☐ **2.** Consider applications that provide authentication services.

☐ **3.** Consider enabling Biometric authentication for extra security on mobile applications.