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# TAKING YOUR INCIDENT RESPONSE PLAN TO THE NEXT LEVEL

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## Cybersecurity Threat Landscape

What do organizations need to prepare for?

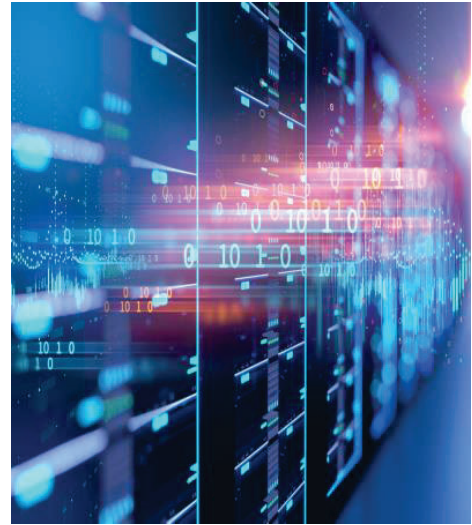
- Ransomware Attacks Evolved
- Data Theft & Extortion
- High pressure tactics used by Threat Actors
- Attacks on Vendors that impact your Organization
- AI driven threats



# Cybersecurity Incident Response

Where do organizations struggle with in actual incidents?

- Project Management
- Lack of Strong Governance
- Communications (internal & external)
- Recovery and Restoration
- Business Continuity
- Preparedness

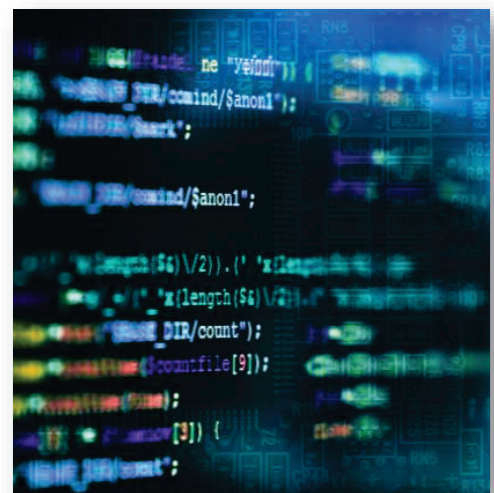


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# Incident Response Plan

We have one, now what?

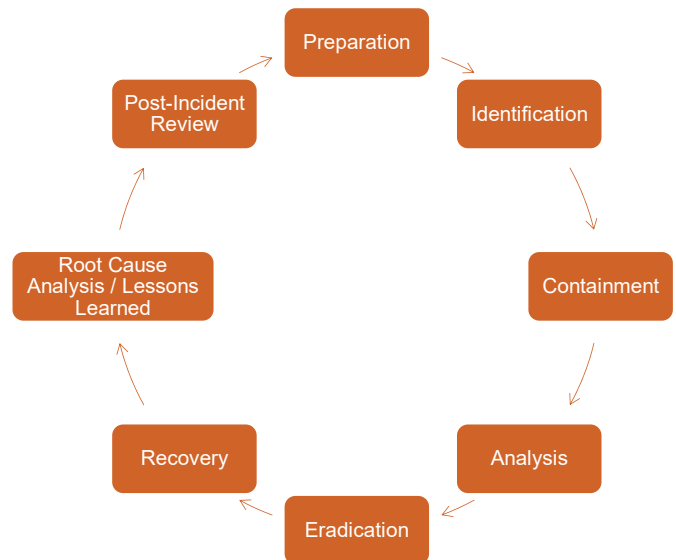
- Living document that should mature as the organization matures
- Common shortcomings of an IRP
- Where does the IRP fit within the organization's hierarchy of Plans?
- Harmonization across other organization plans?
  - Crisis Management Plan
  - Business Continuity Plan
  - Disaster Recovery Plan
  - Crisis Communications Plan



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# A Living Document

- The IRP should mature as the organization matures



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# Common shortcomings of an IRP

- Misidentification of IR team members, roles, and responsibilities (wrong-size, mismanaged)
- Absence of priority classification of Incidents
- Runbooks related to the IRP are not updated
- Lack of testing of the IRP
- Legal is not integrated into Security Operations Center (SOC) alerting processes

➔ • Make sure the IRP aligns with the organization's hierarchy of Plans

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