Ransomware Decision Guide

Have you prioritized your data and systems so you know what is most critical to your business operations?

- Do you have an incident response plan that covers ransomware?
  - If yes: Great job. Go directly to Recover!
  - If no: Develop an incident response plan that covers ransomware. Go to BeCyberReady.com to access an incident response plan template.

- Identify what is most valuable. Go to BeCyberReady.com to access a prioritization checklist.

- Do you have a current backup?
  - If yes: Test your backup to make sure you can recover your data – especially the most critical to your business operations.
  - If no: Congratulations. You’re prepared. Back up your system and all data. Test your backup to make sure you can recover your data – especially the most critical to your business operations.

- Isolate the incident and remove the infected computer(s) from the network. Then proceed.

- Is the data being held hostage valuable to your business?
  - If yes: Do you have cyber insurance?
    - If yes: Does your policy cover ransom events?
      - If yes: Your data is unrecoverable… decide whether or not to pay.
      - If no: You better hope you don’t get a ransomware attack. You are REALLY unprepared.
    - If no: What is the data being held hostage valuable to your business?
      - If yes: Your data is unrecoverable… decide whether or not to pay.
      - If no: Back up your system and all data. Test your backup to make sure you can recover your data – especially the most critical to your business operations.

- Do you have an IT support to contact?
  - If yes: Can you or your IT support back up in real time?
    - If yes: Great job. Go directly to Recover!
    - If no: Reset user IDs and change passwords. Do a clean install from your backup. Update your software. Selectively reinstall data. Go into the real time backup and clean out the malware.

- You are back in business!!

Sign up for the free Cyber Readiness Program at BeCyberReady.com to prevent more ransomware attacks in the future.