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*Medical device security –
The transition from patient
privacy to patient safety*

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What we'll be covering today

- 1** Why medical device security matters.
- 2** Vulnerabilities inside the medical device security landscape.
- 3** Are attacks a reality?
- 4** Diagnosis and problem awareness.
- 5** Treatment plans.

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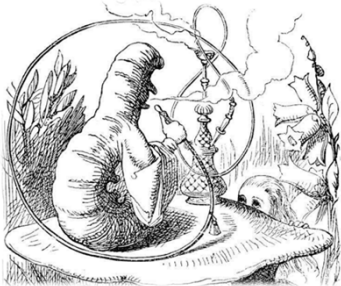
Why medical device security matters

Personal impact

- Many of us rely on these devices daily.
- When we are at our most vulnerable, we will depend on these devices for life.
- Even at times when we aren't personally affected, people we care about may be.



Malicious intent is not a prerequisite to patient safety issues



Research – Device vulnerabilities

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Device vulnerabilities

- Weak default/hardcoded administrative credentials**
 - Treatment modification
 - Cannot attribute action to individual
- Known software vulnerabilities in existing and new devices**
 - Reliability and stability issues
 - Increased deployment cost to preserve patient safety
- Unencrypted data transmission and service authorization flaws**
 - Healthcare record privacy and integrity
 - Treatment modification

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Research– Internet exposure

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Shodan search initial findings

- ▶ Doing a search for anesthesia in Shodan and realized it was not an anesthesia workstation.
- ▶ Located a public facing system with the Server Message Block (SMB) service open, and it was leaking intelligence about the healthcare organization's entire network including medical devices.



Initial healthcare organization discovery



- ▶ Very large U.S. based healthcare system consisting of over 12,000 employees and over 3,000 physicians. Including large cardiovascular and neuroscience institutions.
- ▶ Exposed intelligence on over 68,000 systems and provided direct attack vector to the systems.
- ▶ Exposed numerous connected third-party organizations and healthcare systems.

Did we only find one?

No. We found hundreds!


Generic Search Examples:

shodan port:445 org:health*/clinic/hospital
health* - http://www.shodanhq.com/search?q=port:445&org:health*/clinic/hospital .health 148 hits
clinic - http://www.shodanhq.com/search?q=port:445&org:health*/clinic/hospital .clinic 18 hits
hospital: http://www.shodanhq.com/search?q=port:445&org:health*/clinic/hospital .hospital 119 hits
medical: http://www.shodanhq.com/search?q=port:445&org:health*/clinic/hospital .medical 255 hits

Change the search term and many more come up. Potentially thousands if you include exposed third-party healthcare systems.

Potential attacks – Physical


- ▷ We know what type of systems and medical devices are inside the organization.
- ▷ We know the healthcare organization and location.
- ▷ We know the floor and office number.
- ▷ We know if it has a lockout exemption.



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Potential attacks – Phishing/Pivot

- ▷ We know what type of systems and medical devices are inside the organization.
- ▷ We know the healthcare organization and employee names.
- ▷ We know the direct public Internet facing system is vulnerable to MS08-067 and is Windows XP. We know the hostname of all these devices.
- ▷ We can create a custom payload to only target medical devices and systems with known vulnerabilities.



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Are attacks a reality?

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Real world attacks – Honeypot research

What we were looking for...

- Using known default login information for remote access?
- Leveraging existing exploits for remote command execution?
- Custom malware?
- Malicious intent to interfere with the device (or worse, someone using the device)?
- Campaigns against specific vendor devices?

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Real world attacks – The data

Data	
Honeypots	10
Successful logins (SSH/Web)	55,416
Successful exploits (Majority is MS08-067)	24
Dropped malware samples	299
Top 3 Source Countries	Netherlands, China, South Korea
HoneyCreds login	8

HoneyCred logins are unique to the honeypot ssh/web service, someone did some research.

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Real world attacks – Conclusion

- What did the attacker do once he got in? **>>> Nothing**
- Did they realize they had root on a MRI machine? **>>> Probably not**
- Are there compromised medical devices calling back to a command and control server? **>>> Absolutely**
- Did the command and control owners know what the information they are sitting on? **>>> Didn't appear so**











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Treatment plans

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A shift in how we think about medical technologies

<p>Before</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Devices are connected to patients physically  Data obtained from devices are stored on paper or locally  Devices are physical products  Care is hand-administered at a health care location  Physical access is needed to view health data  	<p>Now</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Devices are connected wirelessly to patients and other devices  Data obtained from devices are stored in the cloud  Devices include software and even databases of health information  Care is available to patients in the palm of their hand through apps  Health data can be accessed anywhere on earth 
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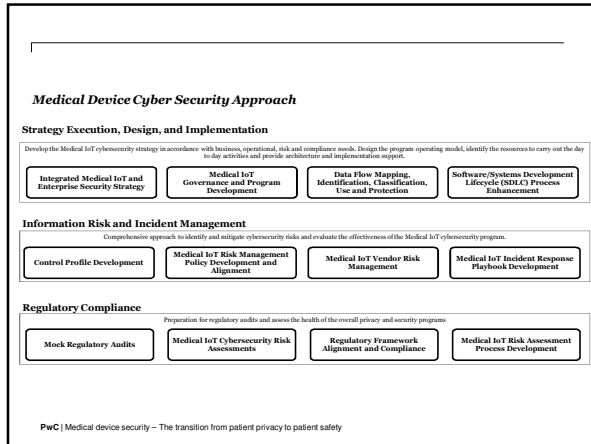
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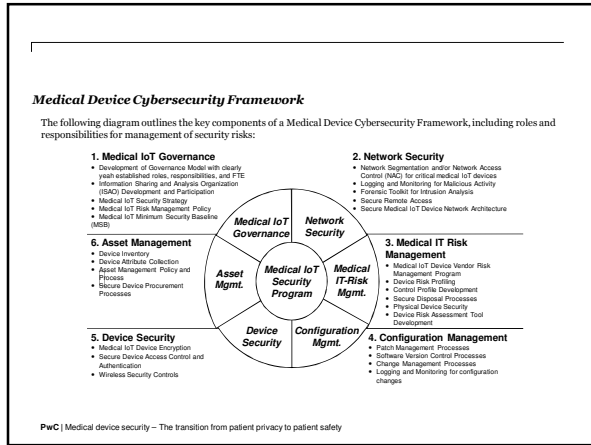
A shift in how we think about regulating medical devices

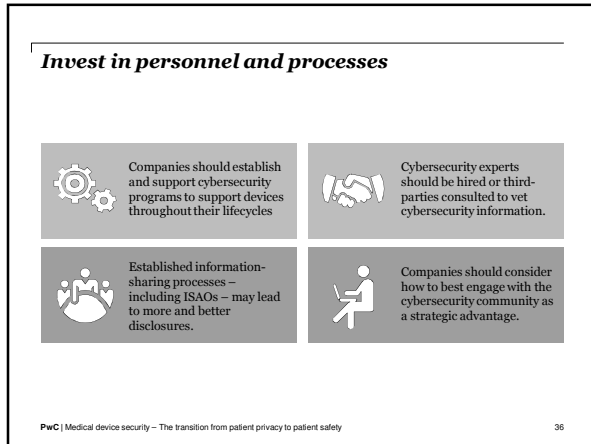
Traditional considerations meet technology

Traditional	<p>Safety </p> <p>Efficacy </p>	<p>Is a medical device safe for use in humans? Does it cause adverse events? Are its risks tolerable in relation to its benefits?</p> <p>Is a device effective for its given purpose? What is the magnitude of the effect?</p>
Evolving	<p>Quality </p> <p>Security </p>	<p>After approval, a device must be kept safe and effective through adherence to quality manufacturing standards established by FDA</p> <p>Once a medical device is networked with other devices or the internet, is it still safe and effective?</p>


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Support can lead to opportunity



Device companies can become **essential partners** to healthcare providers by helping them support and secure their devices and networks.

Device companies can benefit by giving providers a level of **comfort and assurance** about product security, potentially leading to increased sales, and insight into how their devices are used and misused, **benefiting future device development**.

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