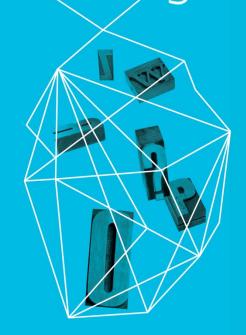
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The Internet Health Model for Cyber Security

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## Think About...



What if the same were true for cybersecurity?



## - Why Look To The Public Health Model?

- Activities by both individuals and health care providers
- Guidance from organizations such as CDC and WHO
- Scientific validation of testing and treatment
- Focus on wellness and disease



## **Public Health Functions**

Function	Application to Cybersecurity
Education	Evidence-based guidance
Monitoring	Monitoring digital networks
Epidemiology	Understand origins and impact on systems and users.
Immunization	Prevent vulnerabilities and rapidly address existing ones
Incident Response	Coordinate response to massive infections



## Internet Health Principles

#### Internet Health...

- is a public good.
- depends upon shared responsibility.
- 3. relies on evidence-based approaches.
- emphasizes prevention over treatment.
- 5. is a spectrum.
- 6. efforts minimize potential harm.
- 7. efforts protect privacy.





## **Areas for Exploration**



- Examine and address consumer expectations about security, privacy, and user control.
- Determine how to embed targeted education and awareness opportunities into scam-resistant communications.
- Explore the roles and responsibilities between ecosystem entities.
- Establish metrics, measurement, and information sharing schemes.
- Explore the attributes of good health on the Internet, how that is measured, and who sets these standards.



## Targeted Authentic Communication



- Educational messages must be:
  - prioritized based on evidence of effectiveness;
  - consistent across providers and domains;
  - integrated into other elements of Internet health, including detection, notification, and remediation.



#### Standards for Good Health

- Remediation is complex and burdensome how do we put more emphasis on prevention and hygiene?
- What constitutes good health online?
  - How is it measured?
  - Does it differ by country? Operating system? Personal values?
- Consumers are responsible for most internet health decisions today?
  - Should they be?
  - Do they want to be?



### In Action



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#### Conclusion

- The public health model can be broadly applied to meet a range of cybersecurity challenges.
- Individuals must take ultimate responsibility for security, but an internet health system can provide a vital "safety net" to rely upon in case or emergency and for prevention.
- Model is not "all or nothing" we should look for areas to make an impact today, inspired by the public health model.

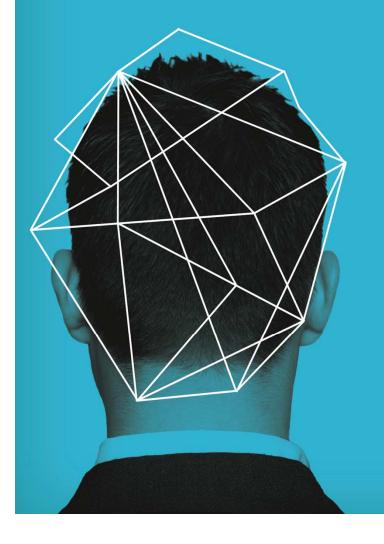


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## **BACKUP**

#### Additional Resources

- Kephart, Chess and White
  - http://www.research.ibm.com/antivirus/SciPapers/Kephart/Spectrum/Spectrum.html
- St. Sauver
  - http://pages.uoregon.edu/joe/ecrime-summit/ecrime-summit.pdf
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  - http://blogs.technet.com/b/microsoft on the issues/archive/2011/02/15/advancing-the-idea-of-collective-action-to-improve-internet-security-and-privacy.aspx
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## Notional anatomy of cybercrime

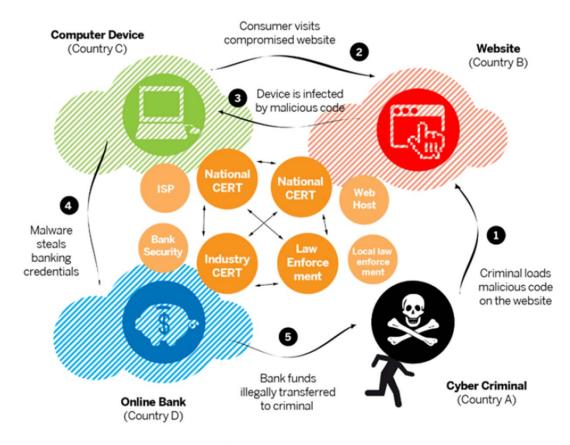


Figure 1. Anatomy of a cybercrime

