# Data Protection for Small Businesses



#### **Keeping Promises**



When a small business collects personal data, they do it with the implicit promise of keeping that personal data private and protected.

The Hartford can help small business owners

deliver on that promise

and make good if something goes wrong.

#### **Today's Agenda**



- What is a data breach?
- Risks for small businesses
- Potential impact
- Prepare for the unexpected



#### **Data Breach, Defined**



#### Data · Breach (noun)

The loss, theft, accidental release or accidental publication of Personally Identifiable Information – whether stored electronically or in paper files.

- Personally Identifiable Information includes:
  - Social security numbers
  - Bank account numbers
  - Credit or debit card numbers
  - Driver's license numbers
  - Patient history and medications

#### How can a data breach occur?



Often times, when people hear the term "data breach", they associate it with a hacker breaking into a computer system. **But the reality is**, a data breach can happen in much simpler ways...



- Stolen or lost:
  - Paper and electronic files
  - Laptop, smartphone, tablet or computer disks
  - Credit or debit card information
- Theft or release resulting from unauthorized access (such as by former employees or vendors)
- Employee error or oversight

#### But that won't happen to my business, right?



- The fact is, any business that handles or stores any private customer, patient or employee data is at risk of a data breach.
- Businesses at the highest risk handle:
  - Significant debit and credit card transactions
  - Sensitive customer or patient information



#### The Fact Is:



### **2 OUT OF 3**

Of those cases didn't discover the data breach for months, or even years (+10% from 2011).

And, the longer it takes to discover a breach, the longer sensitive data remains exposed...increasing the risk for your business.

### 1 IN 3

Data breaches investigated in 2012 were from organizations with fewer than 100 employees

Source: Percentages are approximations based on the Verizon 2013 Data Breach Investigations Report (DBIR)

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#### Okay, so how can it impact my business?





#### Time & Hassle

- Navigating and complying with 51 laws governing 50 jurisdictions
- Time required to notify impacted parties and, if required, credit bureaus and government agencies, when a data breach occurs
- Energy spent on activities not connected to running your business





- Costs associated with notifying impacted parties and, if required, credit bureaus and state and federal agencies when a data breach occurs
- Potential fines or penalties for improper compliance
- Costs associated with civil litigation brought by someone impacted by a breach



#### Reputation

- Loss of customer, patient and employee trust
- Damaged reputation
- Potential loss of future revenue due to a tarnished reputation





## Here's an example of how quickly a data breach can impact your business' bottom line



2 Cost of a Data Breach Study, United States, Ponemon Institute LLC, Report Date: March, 2012 575 CUSTOMER RECORDS

× \$194° AVERAGE COST



# I see my business could be at risk...now what?

#### **Help Prepare & Protect Your Business**



## With Data Breach coverage from The Hartford, you're getting more than insurance protection.

Access to proactive breach services through our partnership with Identity
Theft 911 to help reduce the likelihood of a data breach

Access to breach response services to help you contain a breach if one occurs, including development of a customized breach response plan

The Hartford's Data Breach Program

Coverage to help you pay for expenses associated with responding to a breach like proper notification of impacted individuals

Coverage to help pay for defense costs and any awards, settlements or judgments you're legally obligated to pay resulting from a data breach incident

#### Want to Learn More?



## Talk to your Hartford representative

To find out how The Hartford's Data Breach offering can help prepare and protect you from the unexpected.

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