

Awareness Out of the Box: New Ways to Present Meaningful Security Messages



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Cyber Security Priorities

- Number 1 Enable the mission
- Number 2 Protect the data
- Number 3 Protect the systems that store and process the data





What if I told you...

- In 2009, malicious attacks surpassed human error in data breach causes for the first time in three years
 - Malicious attacks (Hacking + Insider Theft) 36.4%
 - Human error (Data on the Move + Accidental Exposure) 27.5%
- The top three causes of breaches at financial institutions
 - viruses and worms
 - email attacks
 - phishing and pharming

The reality is. . .

cyber security is a PEOPLE problem first and a TECHNOLOGY problem second.

Identity Theft Resource Center Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu's 2007 Global Security Survey

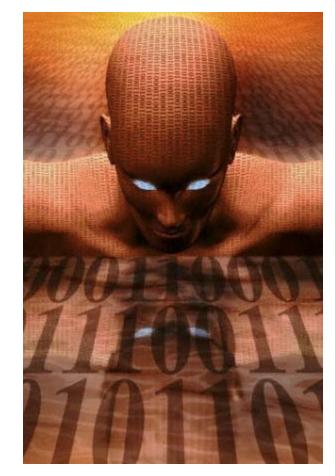


Your people make you secure

Your security is only as good/informed/

effective as the people who access your systems.

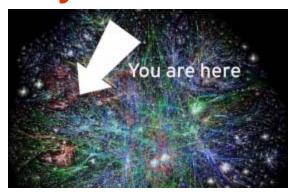
- Users are. . .
 - the first and last line of defense and
 - the most likely to break your defenses.





The point is...

... achieving mission safely without disruption, corruption, or loss from cyber attacks.



There is probably no more effective countermeasure, dollar for dollar, than a good security awareness program.



Culture change is essential

- Do more than annual refresher briefings
- Cultivate a cyber-aware work environment
 - Cyber security behaviors are automatic, consistent, and part of daily routine
 - Users understand their responsibilities and take them seriously
- Change the way users perceive cyber security



So what about Security Awareness?

There is only one way to keep your product plans safe and that is by having a trained, aware, and a conscientious workforce. This involves training on the policies and procedures, but also - and probably even more important - an ongoing awareness program.

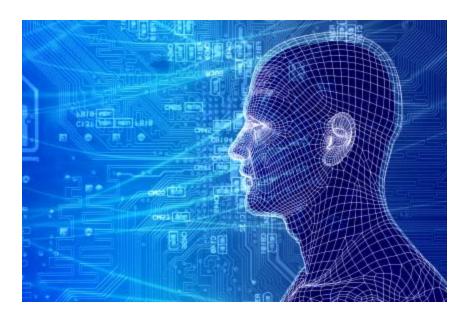
Kevin Mitnick, The Art of Deception: Controlling the Human Element of Security





Success includes...

- Executive buy-in
- Consistency and patience
- Constant reinforcement
- Continuing variety and vitality
- Effectiveness measures





The media is the message...

Although it is important for an awareness program to ensure that the right things are covered, the critical success factor for an awareness program is the delivery methods. The advice must be simple. It must be made personal...Advice that is realistic, understandable, actionable, and repeated is useful.

Ira Winkler, Spies Among Us



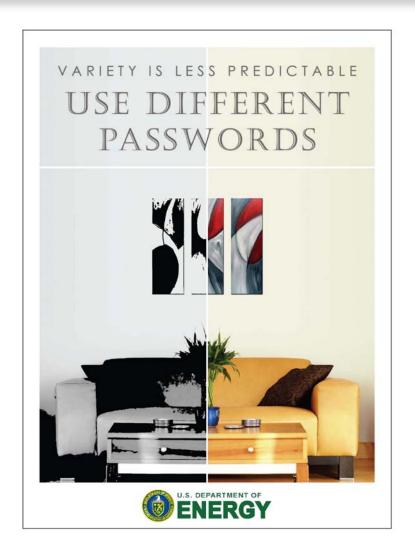
Things you can do . . .

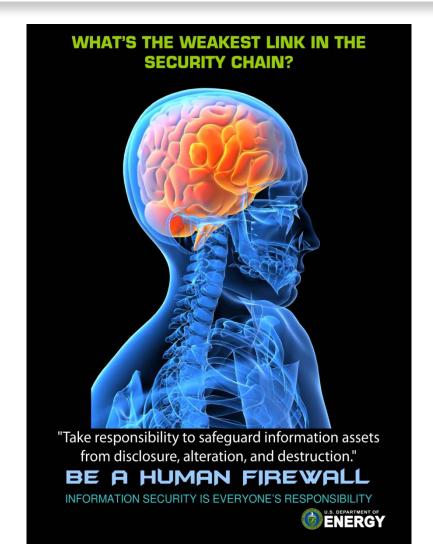
- Promotional items (e.g. pens, key fobs, post-it notes, notepads, etc.)
- Posters/flyers
- Screensavers and logon messages
- Newsletters
- Games and puzzles
- Awards
- Calendars
- Autosignatures of cyber security staff
- On-hold messages for phone system
- Mascots

- Desk-to-desk alerts
- Agency-wide email messages
- "Brown bag"/"lunch and learn" seminars
- Conferences and workshops
- Videotapes
- Web-based sessions
- Computer-based sessions
- Teleconferences
- In-person sessions
- Cyber security days or similar events



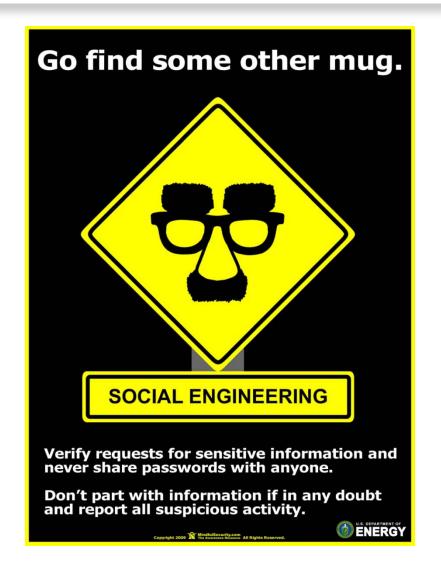
Hove posters...







Hove posters a lot...







A Tale of Two Events







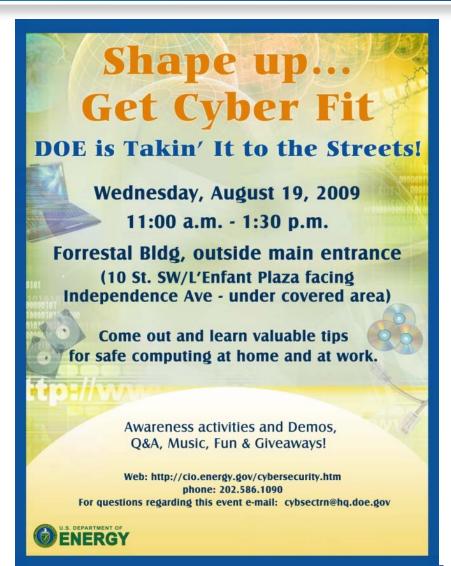
The DOE Cyber Mascots





Take it to the Streets

- August 2009
- Outdoor event
- Exhibits
- Mascots
- Information
- Music
- Refreshments
- Decorations
- Games and prizes
- Promotional items
- Tie to future events



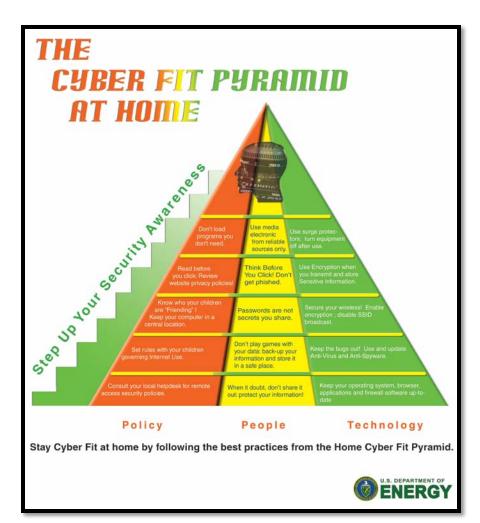


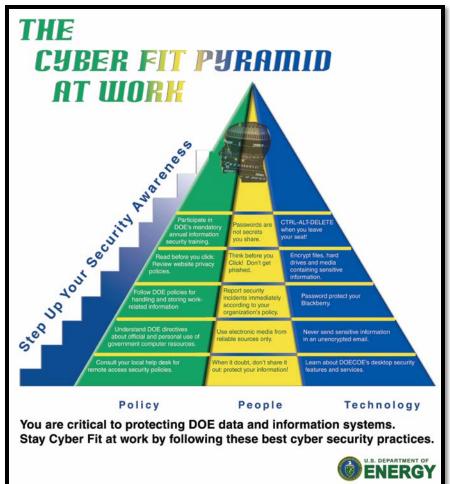
Cyber Security on the Street





Repeat the theme song

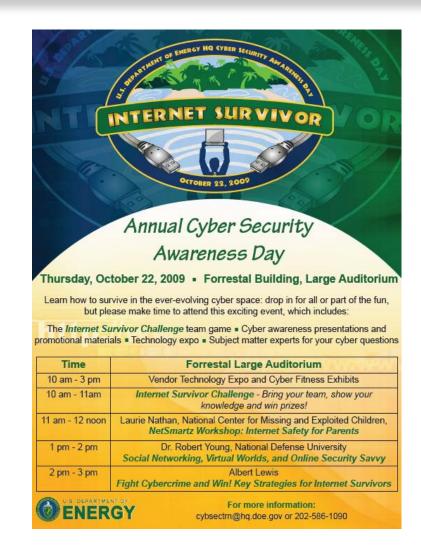






Annual Awareness Day

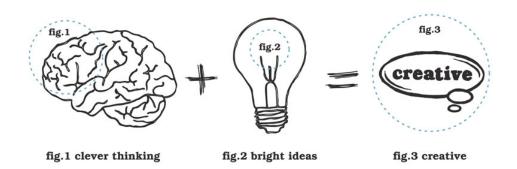
- October 2009
- Tie to Federal Cyber Security Month
- "Cyber Challenge"
 Game
- Speakers
- Promotional Items
- Awareness videos
- Prizes
- Information
- Vendor exhibits





Build it right. . .

- Get management support
- Break the mold of predictability
- Never stop "campaigning"
- Make the message personally relevant
- Build in variety
- Take a chance on the interesting, unique, or unusual



The more creative the event, the more memorable the message.



The Fundamentals

- Make it fun
- Make it informative
- Link events together
- Partner

- Make it memorable
- Tell a meaningful story
- Be creative





The Path to Success

- 1. Start 4 to 6 months out.
- 2. Define the scope and goals of the event
- 3. Start a master handbook and document everything
 - Event fact sheet and timeline
 - Budget
 - Theme, event design, and logo
 - Promotional items
 - Partner organizations
 - Venue and event services
 - Contact information
- 4. Plan the program





The Path to Success

4. Promote, promote, promote

- "Media blitz"
- Flyers, newsletters, and posters
- E-Mail and mass mailings
- Cafeteria table tent cards
- Promo boxes to front offices
- Pre-event contests and giveaways
- Social networking
- 5. Hold the event
- 6. Thanks, thanks, thanks
- 7. Follow-up and lessons learned





Questions?



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