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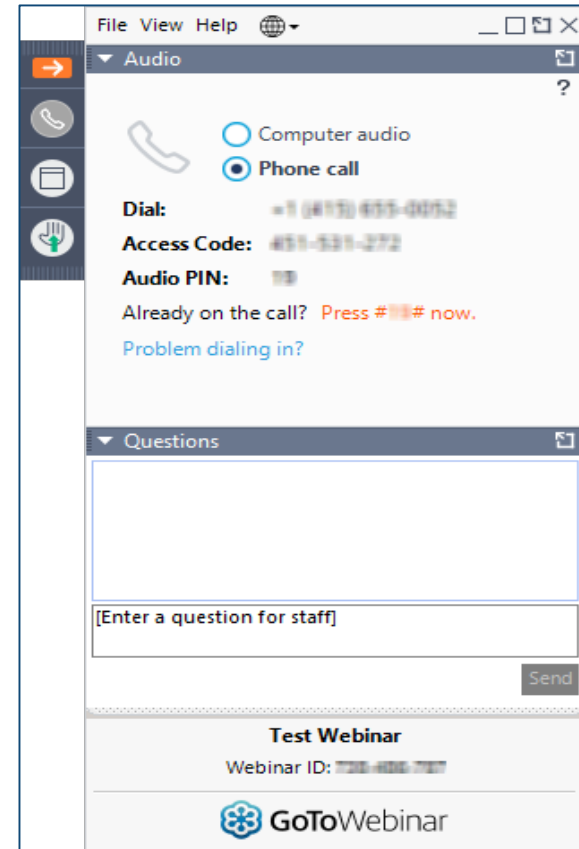
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Quick Poll

Before we begin...

For a company to experience cyber fraud activity, it means there has been a security breach where the company's information system has been compromised?

- A. True
- B. False

Stay tuned for the results!

Agenda

Cybersecurity and Cyber Fraud: What's the difference?

- *The Role of Cybersecurity in the Retirement Industry*
- *Best-in-Class Information and Cybersecurity Framework*
- *Best-in-Class Cybersecurity Ecosystem*
- *Establishing Standard Industry Definitions*
- *Data Breaches in the News*
- *Personally Identifiable Information (PII)*
- *Comprehensive Fraud Prevention Architecture*
- *Key Components of Cyber Fraud Prevention*



Protocols and Considerations to Prevent Fraudulent Activity

- *What does fraud in the Retirement Industry look like*
- *Newport Group's Proactive Approach*
- *Consider these items in mitigating your risk*

Q&A

Cybersecurity and Cyber Fraud

What is the difference?

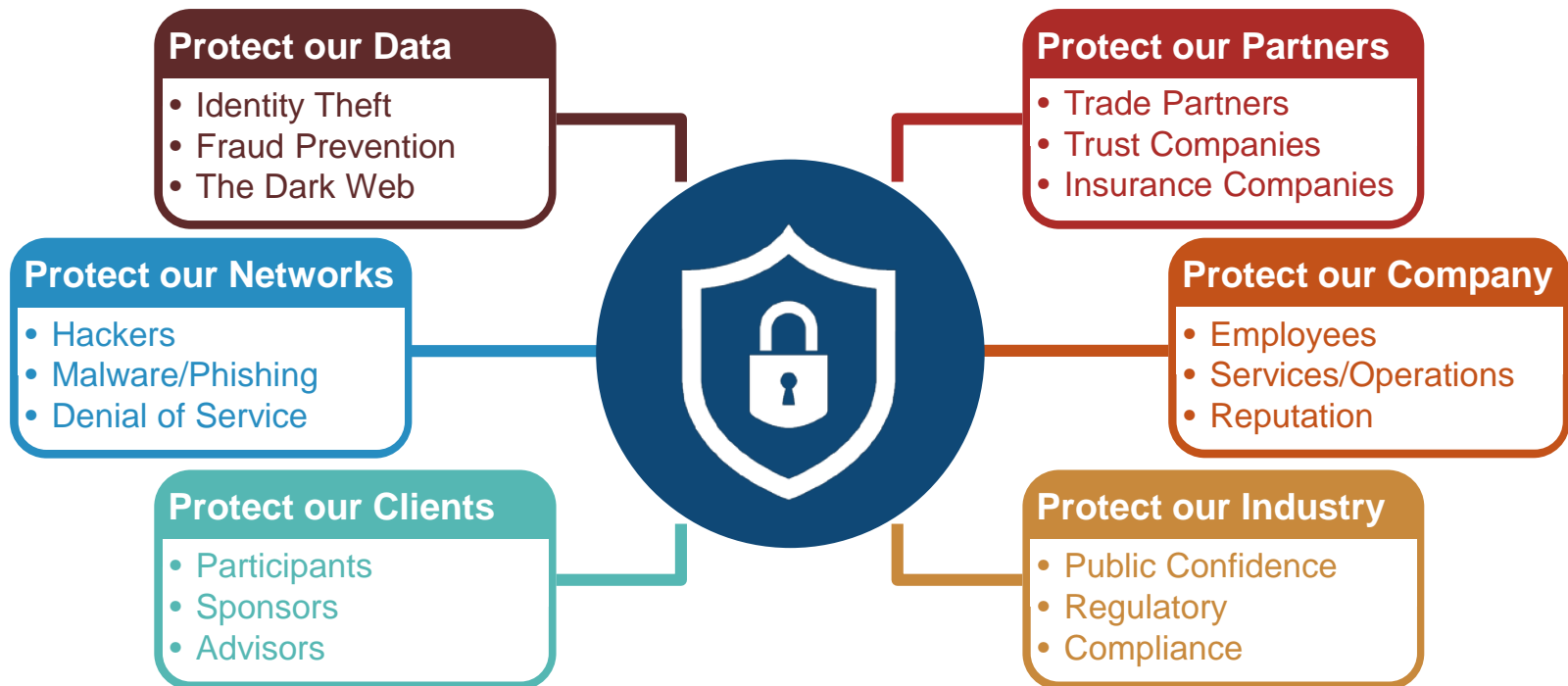
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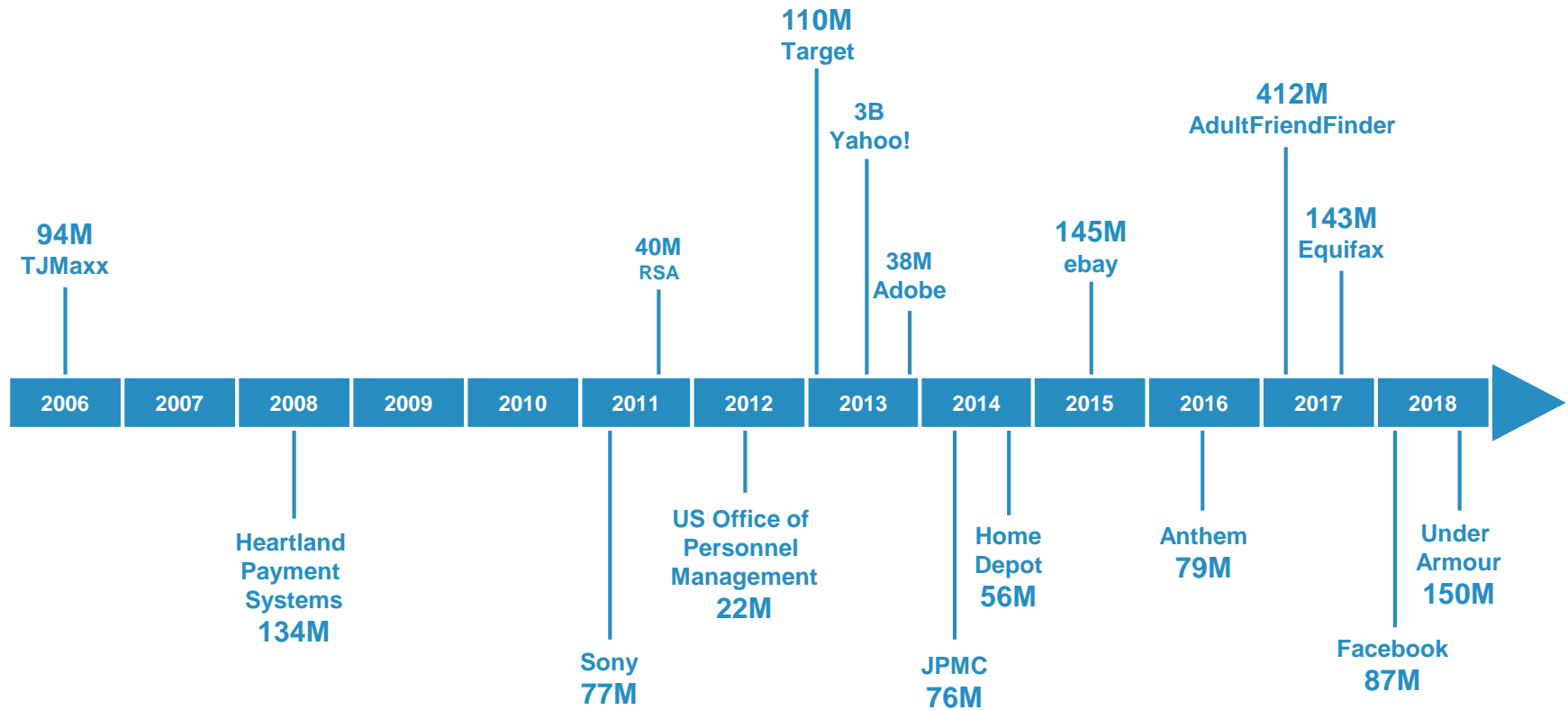


The Role of Cybersecurity in the Retirement Industry

Cybersecurity is an Integral Component of our Service-Oriented Industry



Data Breaches in the News



Total personal records exposed across these breaches alone = 4.7B

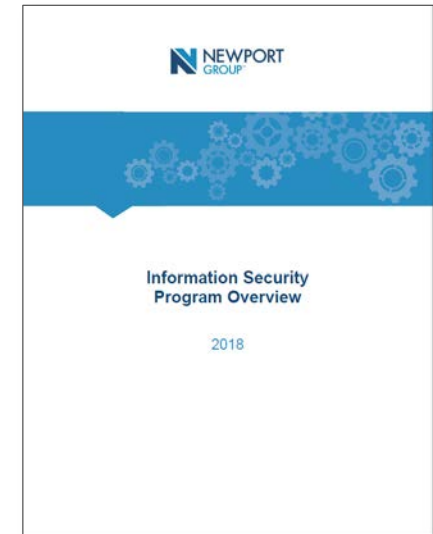
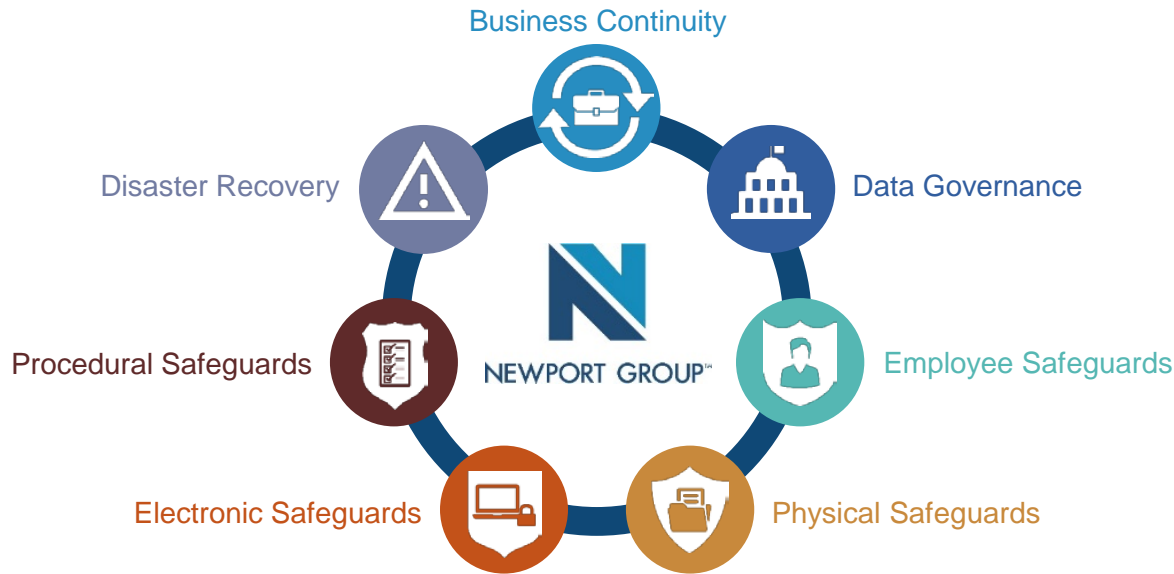
Source: CSOnline.com (IDG) 2018

Personally Identifiable Information (PII)

- ERISA plan fiduciaries and service providers have a duty to protect the confidential personally identifiable information (PII) of plan participants and beneficiaries
- Fraudsters can use information illegally obtained in a data breach to gain access to plan sponsor and participant accounts.
- Examples include:
 - Social Security Number
 - Date Of Birth
 - Address
 - Username and password combinations

Best-in-Class Information and Cybersecurity Framework

Newport Group's Commitment to Information and Cybersecurity



Compliance



SOC-1 Audits for Internal Operations

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Third Party
Vulnerability
Assessment and
Penetration Test



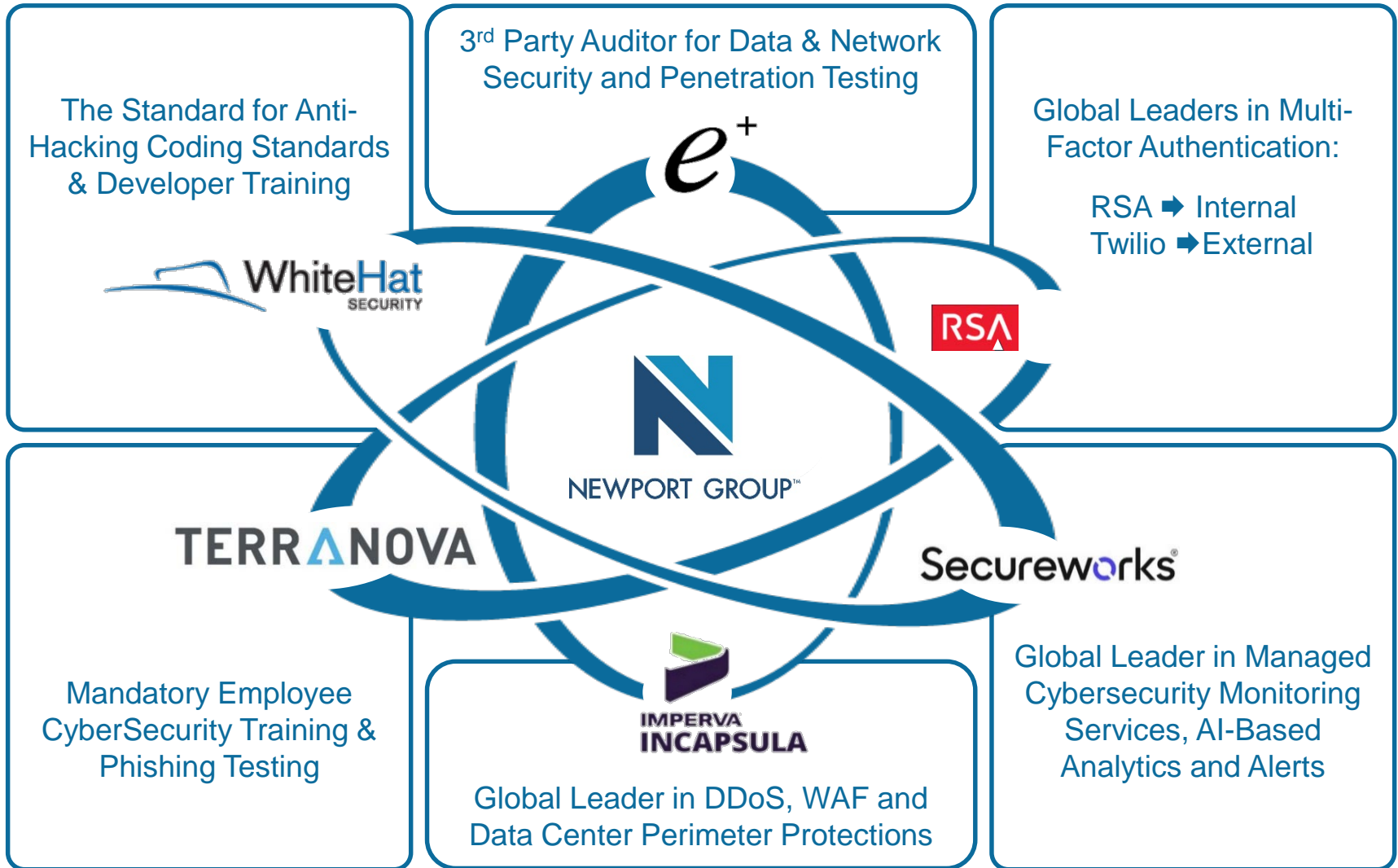
Active Client
Assessment
Program

Mature IT
Security and
Governance
Policy



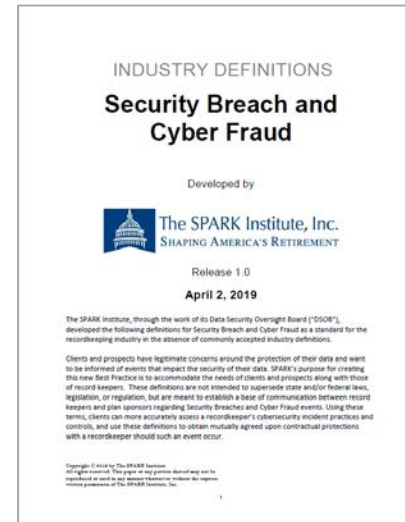
SOC-2 Audits for Data Center Compliance

Best-in-Class Cybersecurity Ecosystem



Establishing Standard Industry Definitions

- The SPARK Institute, Inc.
- Data Security Oversight Board
- Newport Group



- **Security breach** is a confirmed compromise of a system or process
- **Cyber fraud & identity theft** are confirmed compromises of a participant account using data or processes.
- **Remember the poll question at the beginning of today's webinar? The answer was....**

Comprehensive Fraud Prevention Architecture

Helping to protect and secure our client data

- Enhanced Authentication Procedures:
 - Mandatory Two-Factor Authentication (2FA)
 - Mandatory Security Questions - *established by the participants*
 - Strong Password Requirements
 - Mobile Biometric Authentication (fingerprint)
 - Call Center Authentication Tools (call recordings, LexisNexis, etc.)
- Two-Tiered Firewall Protection (environment + database)
- Military-Grade Data Encryption (in transit + at rest)
- Access Logs & Audit Trails (all user types + proxy)
- IP Address Tracking & Cross Referencing
- Transaction + Address/eMail Change Confirmations
- AI-Based Fraud Protection (monitoring high-risk scenarios/activities)



And If I Never Sign In?

Failure to personalize your account may result in Newport Group asking you additional security questions over the phone to confirm your identity.

The questions may be personal in nature, like a former address, a city you've lived, or a car you've owned.

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What Does Fraud In the Retirement Industry Look Like?

A few examples:

- A fraudulent caller to the call center trying to access a participant account
- False distribution paperwork received from the participant
- Email received that looks like it is coming from a known plan sponsor or contact:
 - Fake distribution request
 - Fake email
- Fraudulent bank accounts established

Who is most at risk?

- Participants Age 59 ½ and older
- Terminated or retired employees
- Those who have never logged in (account set to defaults)
- High profile participants with public biographies
- Plan Sponsor and Plan Administrator listed on the 5500

Newport Group's Proactive Approach

Established Security Committee

- Committee is responsible for investigating reported fraud attempt occurrences

Continuously Updating Procedures

- Participant Service Center processes
- Electronic payment protocols (wires / ACH transfers)

Internal Training

- Company-wide awareness training to all employees
- Specific application training to operational and client service staff

Third Party Interaction

- Privacy Policy
- Newport Group only uses participant information for the administration of client's plans.

Consider these items in mitigating your risk ...



- Elimination of electronic payments
- Encouragement of participants to sign in to accounts and establish personal security settings
- Continue to protect sensitive data including— at rest data and secure email and data transfer
- Establishing internal protocols on steps to take should an incident arise

Questions?



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