Exclusive Insight:
THE FUTURE OF EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

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Today’s Webinar Speaker

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A VOLATILE YEAR FOR EVERYONE

- Identity Fraud Cost U.S.: $56 Billion
- COVID Fraud Loss: $473 Million
- Records Compromised: 37 Billion (Year over year volume increase: 141%)
- Online Scam Losses: $4.2 Billion (Complaints to FBI increase: 48%)
- Ransomware Attacks: 150% increase
- New US Ransomware Victims: 1 every 10 seconds
- Fraudulent Websites: 350% increase
RISE OF THE REMOTE WORKFORCE

88% of organizations had employees work from home during the pandemic

SOURCE | Gartner

44% U.S. employees want to continue working remotely

SOURCE | Gallup
Security Professionals say personal devices pose the biggest wireless threat to companies (61%).

Security Professionals are only 33% confident they can prevent a wireless/Wi-Fi attack.

SOURCE | 2020 Internet of Evil Things
EXCLUSIVE
Feedback from 250+ Benefit Brokers & Advisors
“The rapid move to virtual has attracted increasingly sophisticated criminal activity in identity theft, ransomware, and cyber fraud.”
Mobile App Access to Benefits (91%) has become a table-stakes benefit, with clients reporting that having a mobile app is “very important” or “extremely important,” increasing by 8% year over year.

218B
New apps downloaded in 2020 alone

275%
Increase in time spent on business apps (Q4 2019 - Q4 2020)

SOURCE | App Annie State of Mobile
TELEMEDICINE: THE DOCTOR IS IN

2021 How often do clients request the following progressive benefits?

- Telemedicine/ Counseling: 73%
- Wellness Programs/ Wellness Stipends: 54%
- Identity Theft Protection: 54%

Figure 2 | The progressive benefits most requested by organizations
EMPLOYEE WELLNESS REMAINS ON TOP

After last year’s rise to the top, Employee Wellness continued to lead employer concerns (64%), with Talent Shortages no longer a primary issue.

Figure 1 | The most pressing concerns expressed by HR and Benefits pros

2021 Which of the following issues have organizations expressed concern about in the past 12 months?

KEY FINDING

TOTAL IMPACT OF ID THEFT

- Personal Impact: 51% Experienced General Stress
- Severe Emotional Distress: 37% Reported Emotional Stress/Depression
- Consumer Cost: 16% Suffered Financial Losses
IDENTITY THEFT & CYBER THREATS

Digital security is a growing concern. For the third year in a row, more than half (54%) of clients are requesting Identity Theft Protection from their brokers. Cyber Threat Protection is being requested by 51% of broker clients.
90% of consumers believe they can become a victim of ID theft or cybercrime at any moment

**KEY FINDING**

Organizations are broadening their expectations from identity theft protection, with Social Security number monitoring (61%) leapfrogging credit alerts (49%) as the top ID theft benefit request, and restoration protection around ransomware entering the list for the first time.

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**2021 What do organizations look for in an ID theft protection benefit?**

*Source: HelpNetSecurity*
EMPLOYEE RISK = EMPLOYER RISK

45% of cybersecurity leaders have connected to public Wi-Fi without using a VPN

Source | Constella Intelligence

1/3 change password after a data breach

Source | Carnegie Mellon University's Security and Privacy Institute (CyLab)
DATA BREACHES AFFECT EVERYONE

• 1 in 3 breach victims suffers identity theft
• Breaches including sensitive PII: 80%
• Top 2021 data exposed:
  • Name: 96% (97% in 2020)
  • Date of Birth: 60% (49% in 2020)
  • Medical History: 48% (22% in 2020)
  • Home Address: 39% (54% in 2020)
  • Full SSN: 33% (41% in 2020)
51% of organizations don’t believe they’re ready or would respond well to a cyber attack or breach event.

**Figure 7 | Helping clients if employee or customer information is compromised**

In the face of increasing cyberattacks and the outgrowth of many new types of online scams, less than half (44%) of benefit brokers say they are ready to help their clients handle a data breach.
ACTIONABLE TIPS

Protect ALL the identities you’re responsible for
1. **Update Software** | Use anti-virus, anti-keylogging, anti-phishing, and other security software — including mobile security — and keep it updated.

2. **Change Passwords** | Keep them complex, unique, & change them regularly, and don’t forget home devices like TVs, smart thermostats, or video doorbells.

3. **Don’t Save Details** | Turn off autocomplete, don’t save payment details, and clear browsing history to keep information away from hackers if they do manage to breach your device.

4. **Be Cautious of Links** | Phishing emails lead to most data compromises — if you’re not expecting it, just delete it. Don’t respond or “play” with the scammer, giving them confirmation your email is valid.

5. **Safe Wi-Fi usage** | Don’t connect to public or unsecure wi-fi, and use a Virtual Private Network (VPN) especially on mobile devices.

6. **Two-factor authentication (2FA)** | Always use 2FA when it’s available — and if it’s not, think twice about using that platform.

7. **Limit Personal Sharing** | Play it casual on social, while gaming, even on professional networking sites to keep your details safe from scammers who may use social engineering tricks to break into your accounts or scam your friends.

8. **Monitor Your Information** | Monitor your credit, Social Security number, and personal information on the Dark Web, so you get early indicators of potential issues.
1. **Keep network settings secure and password protected**
   Remote workers increase security risks for businesses; scammers are targeting employees through Business Email Compromise and spear phishing.

2. **Don’t duplicate your passwords**
   Use strong and unique passwords for every account so credential stuffing attacks are stopped in their tracks, and don’t share passwords between personal and business accounts.

3. **Protect ALL your devices**
   - **Personal and work:** smartphones, laptops, tablets, wireless printers,
   - **Plus:** cars, appliances, fitness trackers and other wearables, lighting, healthcare, home security, any smart device connected to your network.

4. **Keep tabs on your apps privacy & security settings**
   Especially apps running connected devices.

5. **Teach children to keep devices safe & secured**
4 STEPS TO TAKE IMMEDIATELY IF YOUR ID IS STOLEN

1. Start a Paper Trail
   • Document all activity related to clearing your name
   • Log phone calls by date, time, resolution status
   • Create calendar with critical dates that must be met to report fraud

2. File Reports
   • Report the fraud directly to all companies involved
   • Report identity theft to your local police
   • Create identity theft report with FTC

3. Monitor Transactions
   • Close or freeze any impacted accounts to stop new activity
   • Turn on transaction monitoring for any open accounts

4. Control Your Credit
   • Place fraud alerts and credit freezes with major credit bureaus
   • Watch credit reports for suspicious activity and new account openings

It can take 100-200 Hours and 6+ Months of work to restore your identity after a single incident.

YOU DON’T HAVE TO DO IT ALONE
Consider Identity Theft Protection with Restoration Services for your employees and their families.
THANK YOU

Wishing you good health.

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