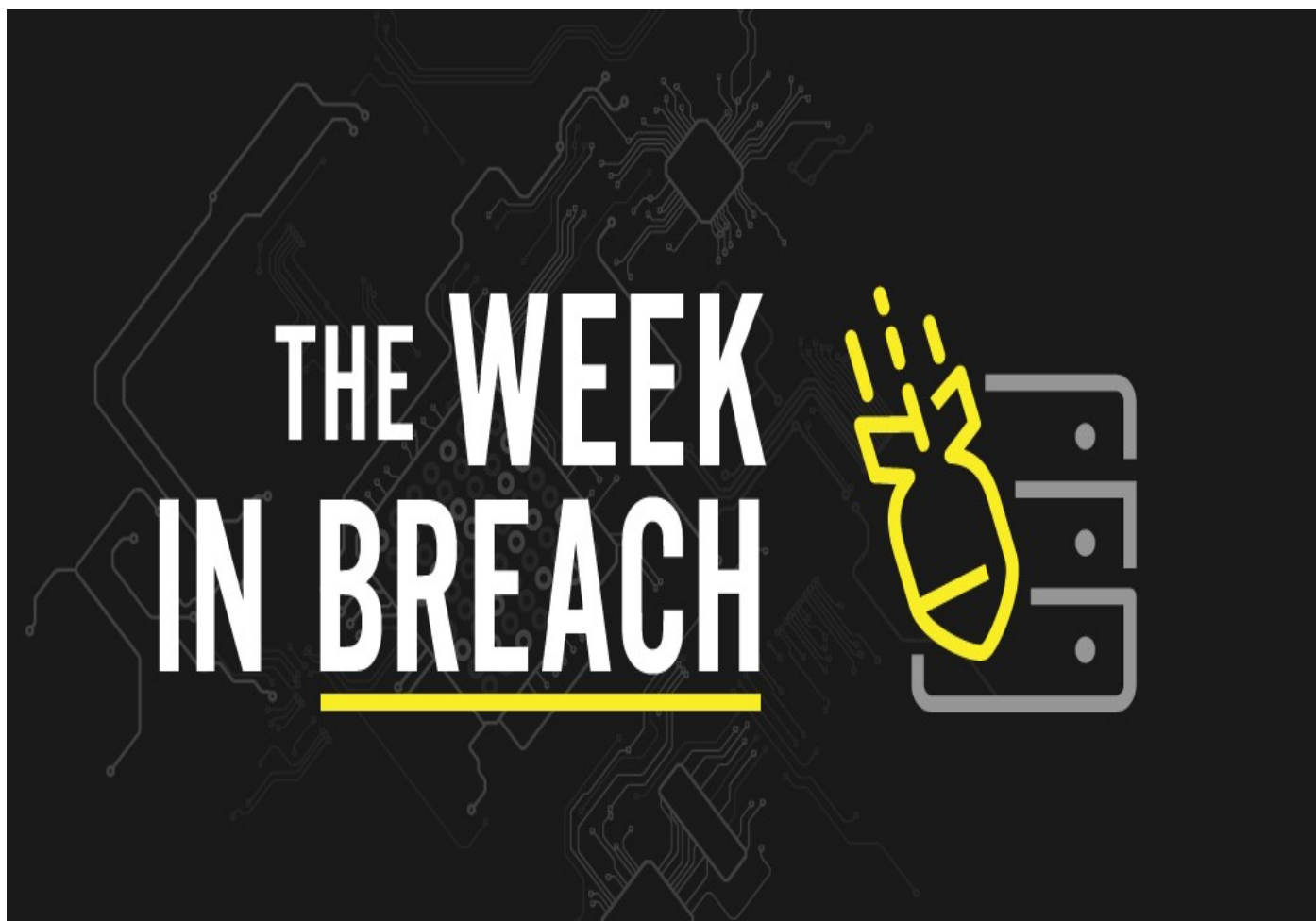


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Narragansett Bay Commission

<https://www.providencejournal.com/story/news/local/2022/07/16/ri-sewer-system-narragansett-bay-commission-hit-cyber-attack/10076978002/>

Exploit: Ransomware

Narragansett Bay Commission: Utility Company



Risk to Business: 2.783 = Moderate

The Narragansett Bay Commission has been hit with a ransomware attack. The utility runs sewer systems in parts of the Providence and Blackstone Valley areas in Rhode Island. A spokesperson for the company said that the company experiences the encryption of data on some computers and systems in its network.

However, service was not interrupted, and the utility does not store customer payment data. No word on what data was stolen or if the Narragansett Bay Commission paid a ransom.

Individual Impact: No information about consumer/employee PII, PHI or financial data exposure was available at press time.

How It Could Affect Your Business: Experts have warned that utilities are key targets for cybercriminals looking for quick money.

Lending Tree

<https://www.jdsupra.com/legalnews/lending-tree-llc-announces-data-breach-5149163/>

Exploit: Hacking

Lending Tree: Financial & Mortgage Services



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How it Could Affect Your Business: The financial sector was at the top of the cybercriminal hit list in 2021 and that hasn't changed in 2022.

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Family Practice Center

<https://www.jdsupra.com/legalnews/family-practice-center-p-c-announces-8570453/>

Exploit: Hacking

Family Practice Center: Medical Clinic Operator



Risk to Business: 1.701 = Severe

Pennsylvania-based medical clinic chain Family Practice Center has experienced a data breach. The company filed a notice with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services saying that on October 11, 2021, it was the target of a cyberattack that attempted to shut down its computer systems. This may have led to an unauthorized party gaining access to sensitive data about 83,969 patients.



Individual Risk: 1.641 = Severe

The breached information includes a patient's name, Social Security number, address, medical insurance information and health/ treatment information.

How it Could Affect Your Business: Medical facilities of all kinds should be strengthening security in response to non-stop threats in the sector.