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Cyber Security Round Table
Top 10 Tips

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Amicus ITS provides Top 10 Tips from key Round Table event on Cyber Security at IBM Hursley on Wednesday 24th June 2015

Chair, Head of Technology & Governance, **JP Norman**, along with Director of Sales **Les Keen** and Marketing Manager **Lindsay Burden**, held a closed session discussion with delegates from organisations across healthcare and corporate sectors at their latest thought leadership session.

The Top 10 takeaways for enterprises to share on cyber security are:

1. The urgent need to raise awareness of the true impact of the EU Data Directive due to kick in in 2016 with a 5% of turnover penalty (parent company if relative), to any organisation failing to protect its EU resident data.

2. The need for organisations to consider what the impact will be and to plan ahead if the UK voted to opt out of the EU in the proposed Referendum.

3. The need for organisations to create and implement an ongoing set of education messages to staff from floor to Board level tailored for young to older users in every organisation to highlight the issues and impact of cyber security around data and correct device use, to deal with anti-virus and Phishing attacks, including personal liability within this exercise (as 80% of security breaches are from the end user 'human firewall', knowingly or unwittingly).

4. To secure Board engagement on risk from cyber security breaches, recognising the resulting commercial fallout from loss of trust. To have an appointed Data Controller and create core stakeholder engagement across departments, not silo IT, to ensure good planning, preparation and strategic decision making are built into normal quality risk assessment, management and security process.

5. Need for organisations to implement quality BYOD processes and review regularly and manage web browsing and software applications.

6. With Cloud moving to a Pay as you Go model, enterprise licencing is moving to 'as a Service' and Microsoft and Windows become streaming services, so organisations have to know and control all the data streaming out and ensure it stays in the UK to remain compliant.

7. The importance of seeking to match security awareness by staff with maximised productivity for the business.

8. Ensuring your 3rd party supply chain / procurement / contractors / sub contractors etc.) have the same compliance checks, liabilities and recognised failure penalties to accompany your due diligence processes.

9. To treat VOIP the same as any other form of data from cyber security POV and award it the same protections and covered by the same regulations as other data.

10. Have an up to date digital policy and security measures within HR whatever the nature of the leaver to avoid data breach.

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