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Cybersecurity Tip of the Week- 2/7/2020

Choose Multi-Factor Authentication, when available

MFA requires an individual to provide two or more unique types of evidence to access his or her account. After submitting a correct password, users must verify their identity with a secondary means to prove they are in fact the account user. MFA options include receiving a single-use passcode via a phone call or text, or through a purpose-built app for users to receive and input the authentication code within a limited amount of time.

Social media sites such as Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter each has some form of MFA available, but users must manually activate this in their settings. Amazon, Google, Microsoft, along with many banks, credit card companies, and other businesses, also allow users to enable some level of MFA. Microsoft users who enabled MFA for their accounts were 99.99% less likely to be compromised, according to Microsoft's Director of Identity Security.

When available, MFA should be enabled as an additional cyber defense to help protect your accounts from being compromised.

Like any technology feature, Multi-Factor Authentication alone is not foolproof. However, MFA combined with other security defenses, like a strong password, is a considerable step toward creating a more robust, secure environment.

Have you changed your password recently?