

Verify Who You are <u>Talking</u> To!

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It is more important now than ever to verify the identity of who you are talking to. Voice phishing, email spoofing, and social engineer attacks are on the rise. Just last week a client who refused a full security stack almost wired thousands of dollars to someone claiming to be their client.

Recent WNC Breaches

- 1. The Charles George VA Medical Center announced that more than 1,500 veterans were involved in a data breach.
- 2. A cyber attack actually closed a school back in 2020 after a cyber attacker demanded money from Haywood County Schools to stop encryption of their systems.

The vulnerability dubbed AutoSpill is a security flaw that affects mobile password managers on Android devices. It arises when Android apps load a login page in a WebView, causing password managers to become "disoriented" about where to autofill the credentials. This can lead to the exposure of users' saved credentials from mobile password managers, circumventing Android's secure input method. The vulnerability has been highlighted by researchers and has been found to affect leading password managers like 1Password, LastPass, Keeper, and Enpass on fully updated Android devices.

In simple terms, when a user tries to log in to a website or app on their Android device, the vulnerability can cause their password manager to become confused and potentially expose their saved login information. This could lead to the unauthorized access of their accounts.





Amy's Corner: Apple Watches

Did you know that Apple plans to halt sales of some of its Apple Watches in the US? This week, a US trade body upheld a ruling that Apple infringed on the patents of a medical device firm.

The watch is the Apple Watch Series 9 and Ultra 2. Starting December 26th, the ban will be active and you will not be able to purchase either of these watches.

The ban is actually a result of a long-standing patent dispute between Apple and Masimo, the medical device maker. Specifically, related to the technology associated with blood oxygen saturation. They claim Apple is using their technology without permission.

This dispute started about 10 years ago when Masimo claimed Apple poached several engineers and its chief medical officer. Shortly thereafter, Apple released its first watch with blood oxygen saturation technology - the Apple Watch Series 6. Masimo claims it was a clone of their own Masimo W1 Medical Watch.

The ban was issues in October and is nearing the end of the 60-day presidential review period. If no veto is made against the ban, these watches will be gone for the foreseeable future.







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