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# **Destructive Malware Targeting Organizations in Ukraine**

## **Executive Summary**

Leading up to Russia's <u>unprovoked attack against Ukraine</u>, threat actors deployed destructive malware against organizations in Ukraine to destroy computer systems and render them inoperable. Destructive malware can present a direct threat to an organization's daily operations, impacting the availability of critical assets and data. Further disruptive cyberattacks against organizations in Ukraine are likely to occur and may unintentionally spill over to organizations in other countries. Organizations should increase vigilance and evaluate their capabilities encompassing planning, preparation, detection, and response for such an event.

### **Report**

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## **Impact to HPH Sector**

There is currently no known targeting of the US Healthcare and Public Health (HPH) sector. However, the situation could change, and the advisory contains **Best Practices and Planning Strategies** to reduce the risk from this threat and other destructive malware. Because this is very destructive malware, HC3 recommends that all members of the HPH read the above referenced report and employ the recommendations as best you can.

Additionally, CISA offers a range of no-cost services to help critical infrastructure organizations assess, identify, and reduce their exposure to threats, including ransomware. By requesting and leveraging these services, organizations of any size could find ways to reduce their risk and mitigate attack vectors. Information on this can be found at Cyber Hygiene Services | CISA.

All organizations should report incidents and anomalous activity to CISA 24/7 Operations Center at <a href="mailto:central@cisa.dhs.gov">central@cisa.dhs.gov</a> or (888) 282-0870 and/or to the FBI via your <a href="mailto:local FBI field office">local FBI field office</a> or the FBI's 24/7 CyWatch at (855) 292-3937 or <a href="mailto:cyWatch@fbi.gov">cyWatch@fbi.gov</a>.

#### References

Links to additional references and resources can be found in the above referenced report.

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