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SUBJECT: MASSIVE RANSOMWARE ATTACK this weekend/ Everyone must read!

Titled: DO NOT CLICK!!!

As most of you have already heard the world's largest Ransomware Attack took place this weekend infecting computers and networks in many organizations in over 90 Countries. This is a good opportunity for us to remind every to please finish the Security and Awareness Training module we have released. So far 37% of you have completed this training **while 63 % of you have not.**

From an IT perspective we have proactively done everything we can do to avoid this from happening to us again. We have:

1. Replaced all non-supported versions of the Windows Operating across the County.
2. Set up all stations to automatically received window's updates once released.
3. Automatically receive updates and apply to our antivirus protection software (Sophos) on each machine.
4. Purchased and installed on every computer a special Ransomware antivirus software and automatically apply updates once released.
5. Upgraded to Microsoft's Exchange email server and software.
6. Employed a special Microsoft service that scrubs all of our mail to assist in catching this malware and spam.
7. Deployed special network monitoring software to immediately catch any failures due to malware intrusion.
8. Purchased special "Security and Awareness Training" that also allows us to monthly check metrics on our vulnerability.

The companies that have not done all this were the hardest hit in this last weekend's Ransomware attack. Needless to say each and every one of you are considered our last line of defense. Our EMPLOYEE FIREWALL, so to speak. Please, considering this last weekend's attack, take the time to complete this initial training module. The next module we will be releasing to everyone will not take as long to complete and specifically targets Ransomware.

Bottom line is: If you have any doubts whatsoever, DO NOT CLICK!!! Or send to us and we can check it out of network that will not cause damage. Please remember that our data is an asset much like any building the county owns and its value can easily be stated to be worth in the Millions of dollars!

Sincerely,

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