Infocyte HUNT

Leading insurance brokerage firm recruits Infocyte HUNT to strengthen security posture, automate threat hunting, and reinforce cybersecurity defensive layers.

THE CUSTOMER

NFP is a leading insurance broker and consultant providing employee benefits, property and casualty, retirement and individual private client solutions through their licensed subsidiaries and affiliates.

With over 4,300 employees, roughly 50 acquisitions per year, and a 5000-node network spanning multiple locations, NFP needed to amplify its approach to cybersecurity, recognizing the need for a swift, effective, and proactive threat hunting solution across all of their properties.
THE CHALLENGE

NFP has a 5,000-node network spread across multiple locations, and the company wanted to expand its approach to cybersecurity by integrating tools to help identify and contain ever-evolving and increasingly sophisticated cyber threats.

NFP recognized the need for a better view into post-compromise activity for swifter, more effective action, should a cybersecurity incident occur. Beyond its current network, the company also completes about 50 acquisitions each year with technological environments of various maturity levels. NFP wanted the ability to pre-scan the environments of newly acquired companies to better understand the risks associated with bringing them online.

THE SOLUTION

After a conversation between NFP and Infocyte surrounding the reduction of cyber risk, NFP selected Infocyte HUNT as the tool to start proactively hunting for threats that had previously penetrated its existing defenses. Numerous other security tools were researched, including EDR and NGAV offerings. However, Infocyte HUNT was the most conclusive, efficient and intuitive tool NFP could find for its threat detection and assessment goals.

Prevention is the best defense. In addition to further securing its own network, NFP now has the ability to improve an acquisition’s environment before integration, thus reducing risk of inheriting malware and other legacy threats. Among other proactive practices, NFP now runs a scan of its entire network more frequently and is better posed to respond and eradicate threats identified on its network. NFP uses Infocyte HUNT as a compliment to its other security measures, like industry-standard antivirus software, traditional vulnerability scanning, 3rd party penetration testing and firewalls.

THE RESULTS

With Infocyte’s help, NFP has become significantly more efficient in systematically identifying and removing cyber threats. What’s more, NFP now better understands threats at all levels – across its many assets – existing and newly acquired assets, through the company’s strong acquisition strategy.

- Within one week of initial deployment (which only took a couple hours) Infocyte HUNT identified its first piece of malware that had penetrated NFP’s enterprise endpoint security tools.

- Infocyte HUNT has since identified several hundred unique pieces of malware within the first year of being deployed (including bitcoin miners, trojans, viruses, backdoors, unwanted programs, spyware, adware and toolbars) on NFP’s network.

NFP currently uses Infocyte HUNT to scan its entire network on a weekly basis and is in the process of moving to Infocyte’s agent-based deployment model, to enable continuous threat hunting.
ABOUT NFP

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