



Staying Safe While Working at Home

What you should know about security risks targeting the uncertainty of the coronavirus:

The spread of COVID-19 is changing the way we live and work. Hackers are leveraging your fears and insecurities for their own gain in the following ways:

- **Phishing emails** – 300,000 visits to malicious pages blocked since January*
- **Spoofed domains** – 60,000 domains registered between March 9 to 23*

All of this means we need to be more vigilant than ever when working from home.

*Internal Research from Mimecast March 2020

How to stay safe while working at home:

- **Be suspicious of emails**, phone calls, or messages from people you don't know, trying to get your attention with updates about the virus.
- **Always check URLs.** Hackers are creating sites that look like official healthcare institutions and online retailers. Navigate directly to official websites as CDC.gov.
- **Use strong and unique passwords** for all your accounts, including your in-home WIFI.
- **Don't connect to networks you don't recognize.** If your company has a Virtual Private Network (VPN), make sure you use it.