

Case Study: GYTPOL's Impact on Security Management at The University of Kansas Health System

Customer Profile

The University of Kansas Health System is a world-class academic medical center and destination for complex care and diagnosis.

Renowned for its expertise and leadership in medical research and education, the health system offers more options for patients with serious conditions, integrating advanced medical practices with research and education.

The Challenge

The health system was struggling with the management and enforcement of consistent configuration standards across its diverse range of endpoints.

The existing standards were cumbersome due to numerous exceptions, and verifying their uniform application across the network was a significant challenge, presenting a threat to the health system's security infrastructure.

The Solution

Michael Meis, Associate CISO at the health system, encountered GYTPOL at a technology conference. Impressed by its capabilities, he identified GYTPOL as a potential solution to address the health system's endpoint security and configuration management issues.

Implementing GYTPOL provided the health system with critical visibility and control over the application of configuration standards throughout its IT environment. The tool enabled the creation of tailored configuration standards based on specific operational needs and facilitated their efficient management on a large scale.

With GYTPOL, the Health System has managed to:

- Achieve comprehensive visibility into the application of configuration standards across all endpoints.
- Tailor configuration standards to meet specific operational requirements of different units within the health system.
- Efficiently enforce and manage these standards at scale, ensuring a consistent security posture.
- Proactively secure their IT environment, reducing the likelihood of security breaches.
- Streamline the process of security management, leading to operational efficiencies and cost savings.

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Results

The implementation of GYTPOL at the health system resulted in:

- Enhanced endpoint security with consistently applied configuration standards.
- Reduced operational complexities and improved efficiency in managing security settings.
- A proactive approach to IT security, effectively reducing the risk of cyber threats.
- Increased confidence in the IT team's ability to maintain a secure and efficient IT environment.

Conclusion

For The University of Kansas Health System, GYTPOL has been a crucial tool in maintaining a strong and consistent security framework across its complex IT environment. The solution has provided the health system with enhanced security capabilities, enabling it to focus on its core mission of delivering exceptional healthcare services.

"EDR tools focus on the behavior of the device and then responding when it behaves in an unexpected way", says Mr. Meis, "I always liken it to a motion detector as part of your home burglar alarm. GYTPOL instead focuses on locking your windows and doors so they can't get in in the first place.

It's the perfect way to harden the first layer of your layered defense model."