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If you think you know-it-all about cybersecurity, this discipline was probably illexplained to you. ~Stephane Nappo~

CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

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He is a philanthropist and the founder of "Transforming, Empowered, Aspiring, Men, also known as T.E.A.M at Nationz Foundation. The social support group was founded in 2018, in Richmond VA for men of trans experience. He has also facilitated various support meetings at University of Richmond for the collegiate Kaleidoscope support group.

In his professional life, Kelly is part of the NTG corporate team and a consultant with Apex Systems, where he enjoys doing his part to ensure production operations run smoothly and efficiently. He has been featured on numerous community panel discussions throughout Richmond, VA and has served as a public relations officer for Toastmasters.

Kel enjoys spending time with family, working out, doing his part to build a more inclusive world, and building his cyber expertise.

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Cybersecurity Awareness Month

Domestic Violence Awareness

In Cybersecurity Awareness Month and Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the message is crystal clear: safety matters, both online and in our personal lives. Just like we're vigilant about protecting our digital world during Cybersecurity Month, let's also be proactive in creating safe environments and offering support to those affected by domestic violence. These months are all about making sure everyone feels secure, whether it's in the virtual realm or within their own homes. It's a call to build a world where safety is a universal right, whether we're talking about our online profiles or the well-being of individuals.

National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233 (SAFE)



Breast Cancer Awareness

Conscious choices play a pivotal role in selfdevelopment by steering our path toward personal growth and fulfillment. These choices empower us to align our actions with our values and aspirations, creating a sense of purpose in our journey. They enable us to break free from habitual patterns and make intentional decisions that lead to positive transformations. Ultimately, the impact of conscious choices within self-development is the realization of our potential and the achievement of our desired goals. **Cybersecurity Awareness Tips**



Protecting Personal Information on Social Media

It's crucial to think of your personal info on social media like precious treasure guard it with care! Oversharing can make you an easy target for cyber tricksters, so be mindful of what you post. Adjust your privacy settings to keep your content visible only to trusted friends and family. And remember, once something's online, it can be tricky to take it back or remove it. So, let's be savvy and forward thinking in these virtual streets, ensuring our personal info is safe and sound.

Keeping your software up to date



Keeping your software up to date is like giving your devices a security boost. It's a crucial defense against potential cyber threats. So, when you see those update notifications, take them seriously – they are your best friends in the realm of cybersecurity. Preparation and reduction comes with making sure your devices are secured.



Read. Read. Read.

As you know, reading is a powerful tool. Whether it's cybersecurity books, blogs, or articles, this knowledge is our secret weapon against online threats. Understanding the enemy and their tactics makes us the ultimate digital defenders. So, grab a good read and let's level up our cybersecurity game this month and every month. Minority Cybersecurity Talent from Apprentices to the Executive Level

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