

Risk Management Tips for Fraudulently Induced Transfer Social Engineering Fraud

- 1. Implement and follow strong financial controls, such as 2nd authorization; no payment of invoice until the invoice is approved by whoever ordered the goods or contracted for the service; never pay on the basis of a rushed email; never pay from a statement always ask for the original invoice from the vendor and proof of authorization for the service/goods.
- 2. Fraudsters can easily setup a fake email address that resembles yours. Always double check the email address.
- 3. Never make any changes to a vendor's or client's banking information based on an email or telephone call. Always verify the change with the vendor by calling them on the number/emailing them on the address in your file. Ignore the telephone number or email address they've used in the email request.
- 4. If you receive a request for a rush payment especially on a Friday afternoon or first thing in the morning, check the email very carefully and follow your established protocols. Rushed requests are common when perpetrating fraud.

- If an email is received from a senior executive of your firm asking for a payment to be made, verify with finance before you pay. If no one is available, call the executive on their cellphone. They will appreciate the call.
- 6. Create an environment that promotes caution and have established financial protocols.
- 7. Train all employees on your financial protocols.
- 8. Purchase the appropriate insurance coverage.

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