September Phishing Scenario Results

As part of our <u>Security Awareness education program</u>, OIT sent a simulated phishing scenario titled, *New Contract and Privacy Agreement – ref #c3KQf*.

The email resembled a legitimate secure document sending service and provided a link with the message "Please review and sign". This type of phishing email is designed to trick employees into giving up personal information, such as your login password, and the link to the "secure document" may lead to a file download that contains malware.

Secure document sharing services are used frequently by employees for College business. To assess the legitimacy of the sending document service email you must request that the sender provide you with:

- The name of the service they will be using
- The details of when the email should be expected, i.e., subject
- Other identifiable information that will help you determine the message is from the expected company or business partner

Be wary of emails from document sharing services that you do not expect or did not request. Verify requests for private information, even if the request seems to come from someone you know. Do not click the link to investigate! Trust your instincts and **REPORT** the email to IT Security for analysis.

Good News

1091 employees reported the phishing scenario to the Phishtrap. Keep up the good work!

Opportunities for Improvement

334 employees clicked the link within the training email; of these individuals, 109 entered their login credentials.

Did you know that even ONE click puts the entire MC network at risk? In a real-world phishing attack clicking the link may have prompted you to give up your login credentials. View the red flags in the **September phishing scenario** to learn about this type of attack and ways to spot a suspicious email.

