

Week 3: Recognizing and Combating Cybercrime

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Why is [National Cyber Security Awareness Month](#) necessary? Because without awareness, we are just freely sharing personal information into an internet abyss with no consideration of the consequences.

Think about it...

- How much of your RIA's important data is in the cloud?
- How much of your clients' information is at risk?
- Are your employees working from home or on the road? (If so, here are [3 important security tips to consider for remote offices](#).)
- Are you putting security in the hands of apps and online service providers—or taking responsibility for it yourself?
- When will a breach occur? How will you limit downtime? Are you prepared to handle it? (It's not a matter of *if*...it's a matter of *when*.)

Recognizing cybercrime comes from first understanding all the possible entry points. Every time personal information is shared online, we are creating a vulnerability that must be protected.

For RIAs, a huge part of combating cybercrime is *preventing* it. At RightSize Solutions, our work is about protecting our clients, creating safeguards, mitigating risks, and always having a Plan B. It's about heightening awareness, training, policies and communication so that every person in your firm understands how to keep information secure, and what to do should a breach occur.

If you missed last week's post, check out: [Creating a Culture of Cybersecurity at your Firm](#).

Stay tuned all month as we post tips aligning with [National Cyber Security Awareness](#)

[Month's weekly themes](#). Next week's theme is: "Our Continuously Connected Lives: What's Your 'App'-titude?"

Is your firm putting *prevention* at the top of the list? Let's talk about how we can help.