Press Release: Alcuris passes major cyber security milestone

We are delighted to announce that Memo Hub, Memo App and our Connec+ platform have been added to the list of Scottish Digital Telecare security-assessed suppliers.

Recent research has shown that third-party security is the number one risk to an organisation's data and service delivery. Organisations now have a legal responsibility to ensure that they conduct due diligence on any supplier who will be processing, or will be providing software that processes, personal data.

This due diligence has proven to be a difficult task for individual organisations to carry out, with suppliers reluctant to divulge sensitive security data, and in some cases not seeing the ROI of investing in security at all.[1]

Using a Once for Scotland approach, Digital Telecare, part of the Scottish Local Government Digital Office, has created a programme to evaluate cyber security for new digital telecare products and services on behalf of telecare buyers, providers, and users across Scotland. Suppliers are assessed on their business processes as well as requiring independent Penetration testing (PEN testing).

Andy Grayland, Chief Information Security Officer, Digital Office for Scottish Local Authorities said

"Both this assessment scheme, and Alcuris' positive response to it, will help ensure that vulnerable telecare users across Scotland are protected against the threat posed by cyber criminals when using these services."

Alex Nash, Managing Director, Alcuris said

"We are delighted with this recognition, and it validates our approach to design security in from the ground up. Together with the Data and Security Protection Toolkit from NHS Digital this demonstrates our strong commitment to both data security and information governance for the benefit of all our customers."

Alcuris welcomes the Digital Offices' "Once for Scotland" approach and recognises the value it provides across Scotland. We would like to see a "Once for the UK" approach adopted and today we have written to the Telecare Services Association (TSA), to ask if they can collaborate with the Digital Office to enable the benefits of their security assessment programme to be available across the rest of the UK. This will provide increased confidence, remove duplication of work (for buyers and suppliers), increase protection from cyber criminals and provide a minimum benchmark for cyber-security.

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NOTES TO EDITORS

References

1. https://digit.fyi/digital-telecare-improving-supply-chain-security-in-a-supplier-dominated-market/

More details on the Digital Telecare Security Assessment Scheme https://bit.ly/3rzooeb

Alcuris Ltd (www.memohub.co.uk and corporate site www.alcuris.co.uk)

Alcuris is an award-winning assistive technology company backed by a highly experienced team.

Our vision is to prolong independence for users, provide positive reassurance for family and actionable insight for providers and commissioners.

Our Connec+ platform and Memo Hub® provides Next Generation Telecare services which shift the traditional reactive alarm focus to one that is proactive, preventative and insight driven.

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