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- Ransomware Attacks On Hospitals Placing Lives At Risk
- Data Breach at PFC USA Impacts Patients of 650 Healthcare Providers
- Study Reveals Virginians Have Among The Best Access to 'Grade A' Hospitals
- Former owner of assisted living facility sentenced to 2 years for health care fraud
- Demand for mental health services outpaces expectations
- Organization announces healthcare project, brings more services to rural Southside, Southwest VA

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Unpatched and Outdated Medical Devices Provide Cyber Attack Opportunities

The FBI has identified an increasing number of vulnerabilities posed by unpatched medical devices that run on outdated software and devices that lack adequate security features. Cyber threat actors exploiting medical device vulnerabilities adversely impact healthcare facilities' operational functions, patient safety, data confidentiality, and data integrity. Medical device vulnerabilities predominantly stem from device hardware design and device software management.

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How to Prevent and Respond to Violence in Hospitals

From 2020 to 2021, the IAHSS
Foundation 2022 Crime Survey found
the rate of hospital violent crime
increased by 47%. Although there are
exceptions, most patients or visitors are
at hospitals for non-joyous occasions,
making them more prone to feeling
anxious. Add to the mix the collective
trauma experienced by so many people
in the last two-and-a-half years, and
violent incidents are pouring into areas
of hospitals that aren't used to seeing it.

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