

# Modern Data Protection for Healthcare Secure, Recover, and Defend Against Ransomware



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# The World...

- Cybersecurity threats (Ransomware, Phishing)
- Compliance requirements
- Data growth in EHR and PACS systems
- Downtime and disaster recovery concerns



# Ransomware Protection for Critical Healthcare Infrastructure



### Ransomware Threats in **Healthcare**







### **Targeted Healthcare Sector**

Healthcare organizations are prime targets for ransomware attacks due to sensitive patient data and critical services they provide.

# **Importance of Understanding Threats**

Recognizing the specific ransomware threats to healthcare is essential for developing effective security measures and defenses.

### **Building Effective Defenses**

Strengthening defenses against ransomware involves a multi-faceted approach, including staff training and advanced security protocols.



# Electronic Health Records (EHR) Protection and Compliance



### Challenges in EHR Protection



### **Cybersecurity Threats**

Healthcare organizations are increasingly targeted by sophisticated cyberattacks aimed at compromising electronic health records (EHRs).



### **Human Errors**

Human errors remain a significant challenge in EHR protection, often leading to accidental data leaks or breaches.



### **Regulatory Compliance**

Compliance with complex and continuously evolving regulations adds to the challenges that healthcare organizations face in protecting EHRs.



# Hybrid Cloud Data Protection for Medical Imaging (PACS)



### Challenges in **Protecting Medical Imaging Data**







# Large File Sizes

Medical imaging data files are often very large, creating storage and management challenges that require robust solutions.

### Rapid Data Growth

The volume of medical imaging data is growing rapidly, necessitating scalable data protection strategies to keep up with demand.

### **Need for High Availability**

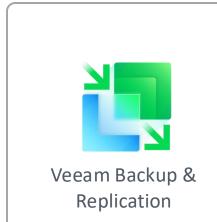
Healthcare providers require high availability of medical imaging data for timely diagnoses and treatments, which adds complexity to data protection.

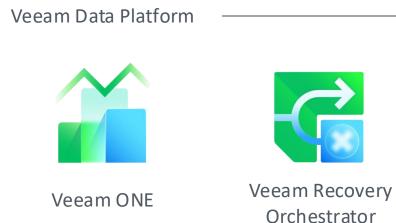


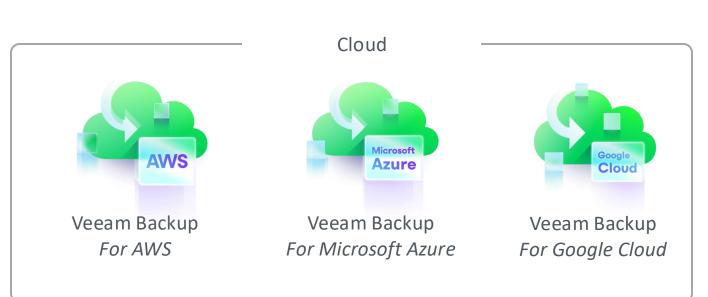
# Veeam Data Platform



### Veeam Product Portfolio







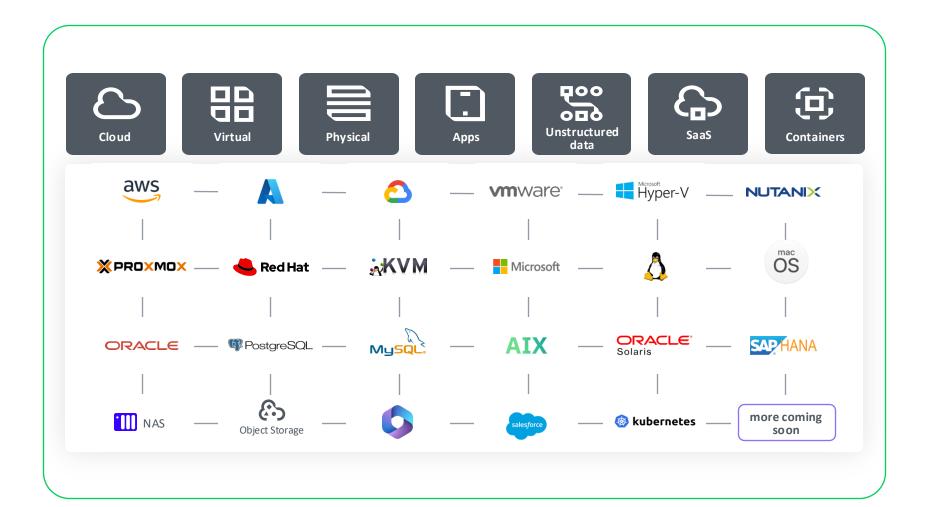








### Extensive workload coverage unmatched in the industry



# Newly Introduced:

- Microsoft Entra ID
- Proxmox VE
- MongoDB

### Cloud

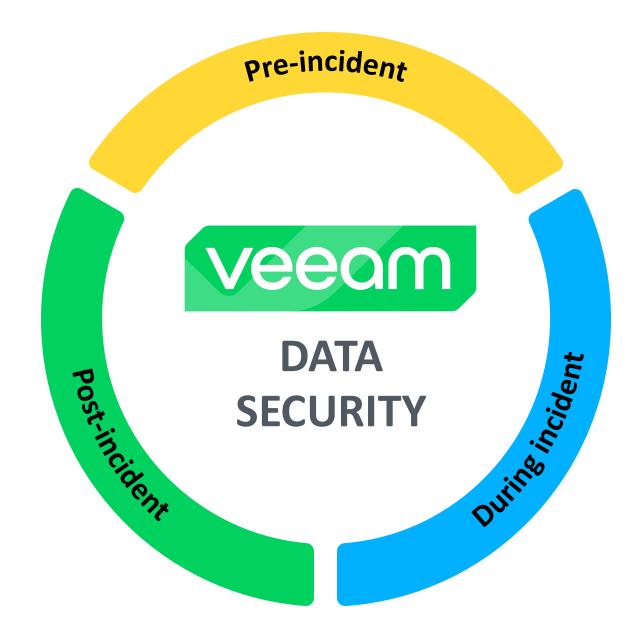
- Amazon FSx
- Amazon RedShift
- Azure Cosmos DB
- Azure Data Lake Storage Gen2



Veeam is purpose-built for powering data resilience











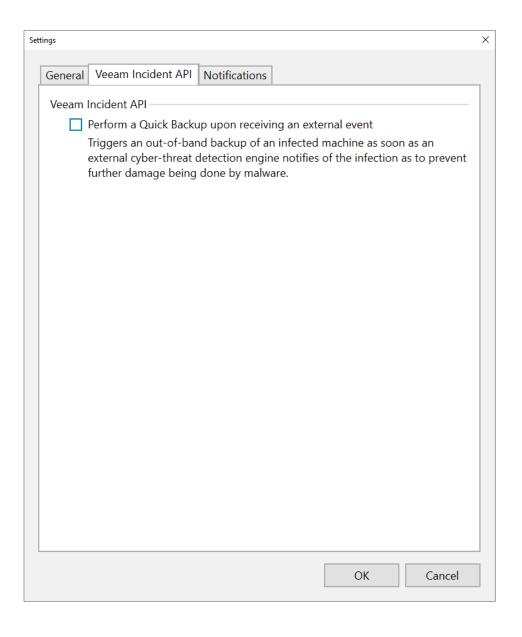
- Veeam Incident API
- Data Observability & Analytics
- Security & Compliance Analyzer
- Recon Scanner from Coveware by Veeam



# Veeam Incident API Get a second opinion

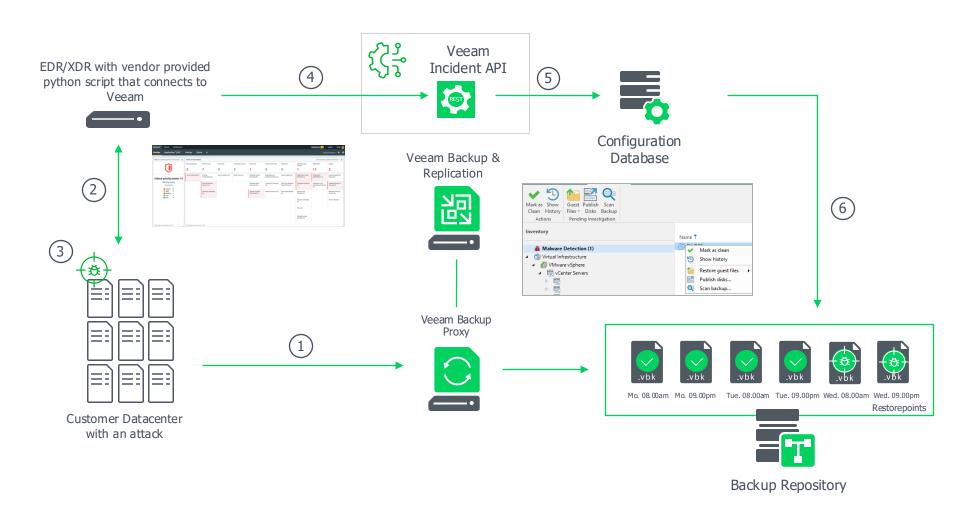
Receive real-time infection reports from third party tools

- Integrate with existing EDR/XDR tools
- Remove barriers between security and backup teams
- Minimize damage by immediately performing backups upon notification





### Veeam Incident API with EDR/XDR

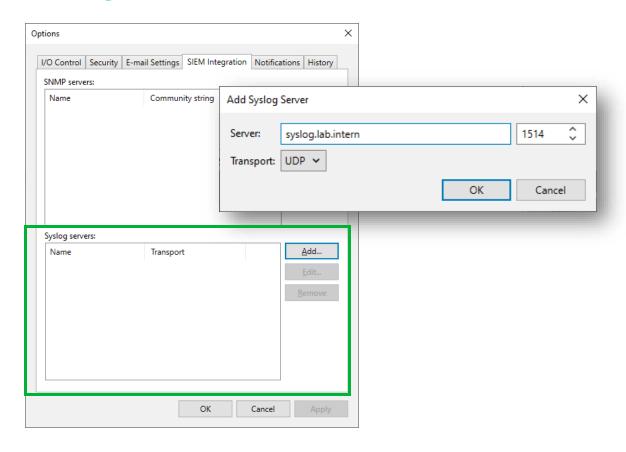


- 1 Veeam Backup & Replication runs regular backups of the source systems
- 2 External CyberProtection solutions are monitoring the environment
- The external CyberProtection detects suspicious activities or a Ransomware attack
- The external CyberProtection calls the Veeam Incident API and sends details of the incident
- Veeam Backup & Replication flags any restore point created after the detection as potentially infected in the configuration database
- This is also reflected in the GUI where those restore points now show up as clean or infected

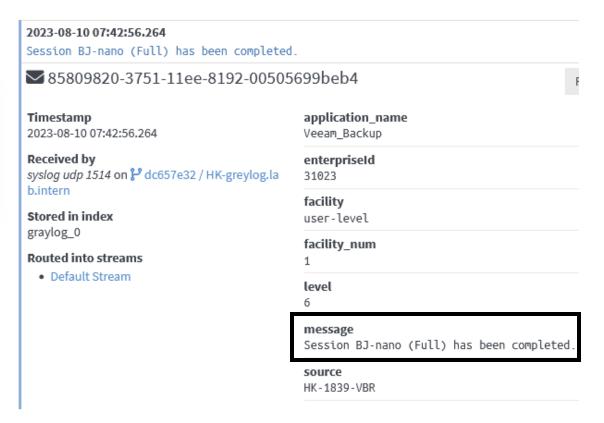


### Better Integration With SIEM Systems

### Configuration



### Example output





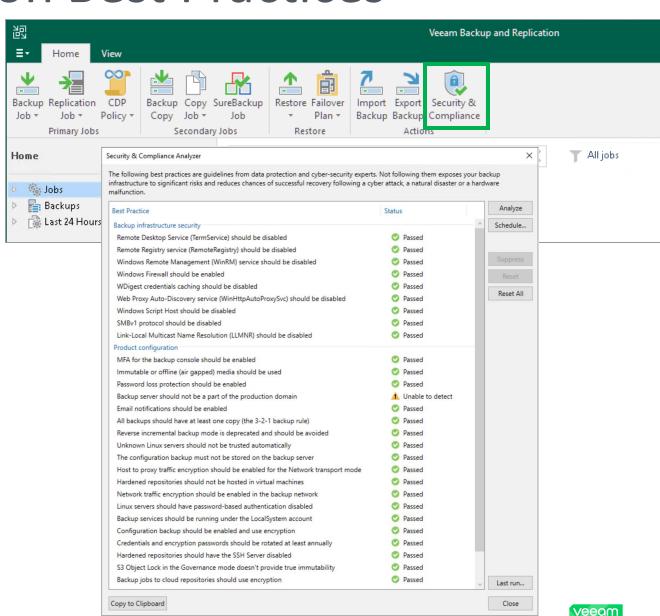
# Easily Check Configuration Best Practices

### **Built-in Security & Compliance Analyzer**

### Over 30 security checks:

- a) Veeam Backup server hardening
- b) Environment configuration verification
- c) Built-in scheduler and email notifications
- d) Veeam Monitoring & Analytics alerts

Your data becomes safer as you successfully clear more security checks





### Veeam ONE

Proactive notifications and visibility for critical workloads

### **New alarms:**

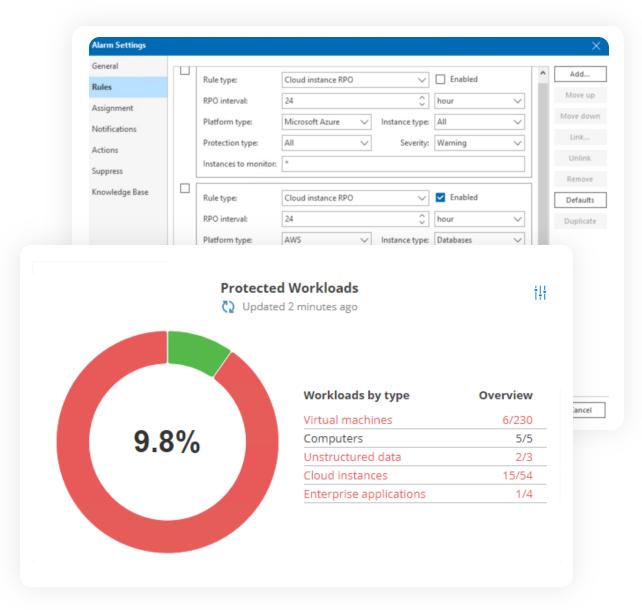
- VM with no backup (AHV, KVM, and Proxmox)
- Cloud Instance RPO

### New widget:

Protected workloads

### Other enhancements:

- Support for 11:11 Cloud Object Storage
- Customizable ServiceNow severity settings





### Proactive Threat Assessment with Recon Scanner

- Exclusive proactive threat assessment technology for Veeam Backup & Replication servers
- Easy deployment and scans with minimal overhead at runtime
- Secure uploads with fast collection of logs, events, and potential adversary content
- Automatic mapping of data to MITRE ATT&CK and Coveware ransomware indicators
- Timeline of activity and remediation report available for security review





veeam **DATA SECURITY** 

- NEW IoC Tools Scanner
- Al-Powered Inline entropy analysis
- Immutability combined with singleuse credentials

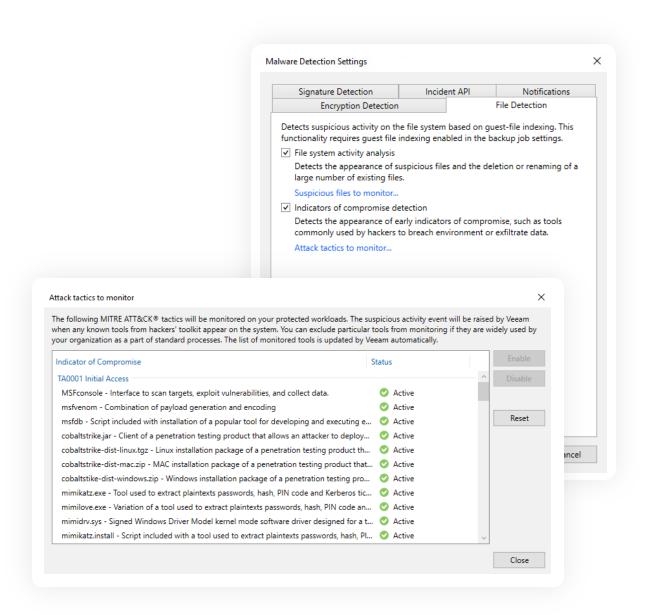


### **IoC Tools Scanner**

Expand the hunt for Indicators of Compromise

### **Key features:**

- Detect and uncover suspicious tools and tactics closer to the time of compromise
- Aligns to MITRE ATT&CK framework
  - List of threats is constantly updated
  - Checks can be customized to fit your environment
- Works in conjunction with Veeam Threat Hunter
  - File signatures remain the same despite filename changes



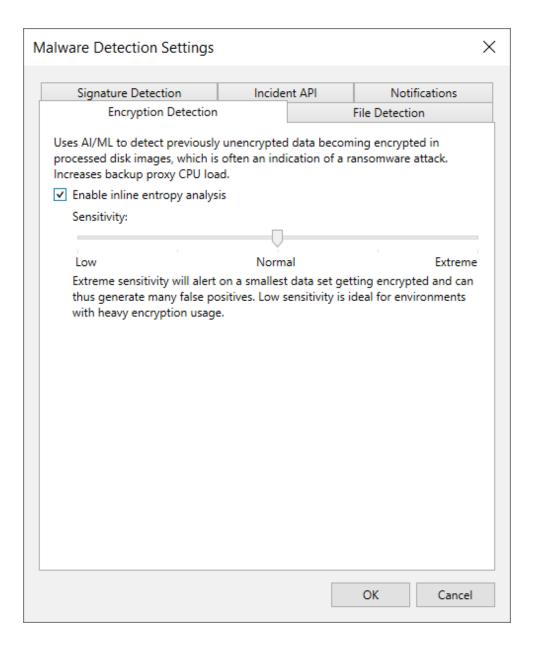


### **Malware Detection**

Al-powered inline scanning and file system analysis

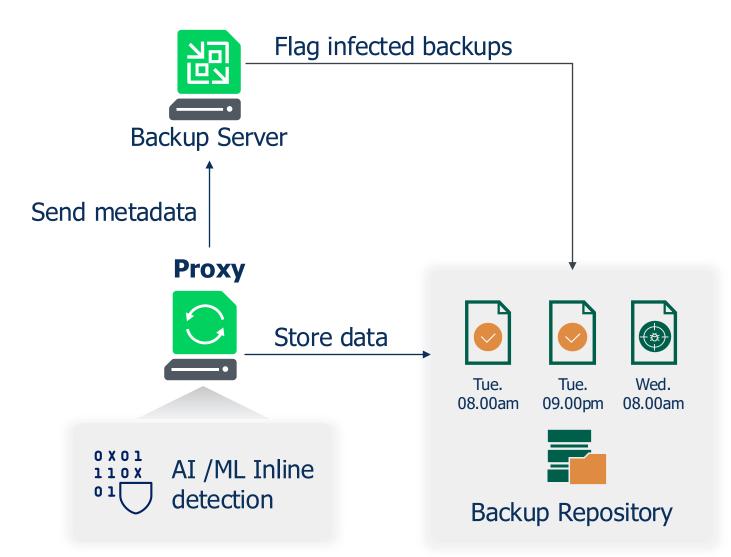
Bring detection closer to the time of infection

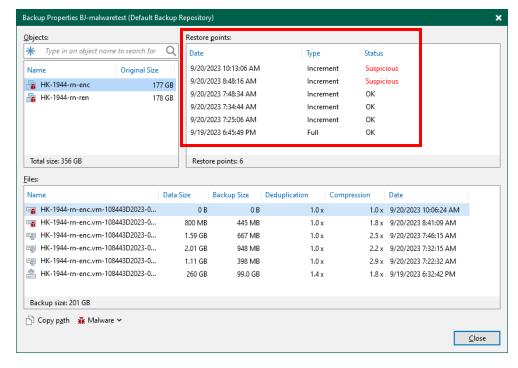
- Measure and analyze entropy changes
- Mark backups as clean, suspect, or infected





### Inline Malware Detection Overview







## Hardened Linux repository overview (Immutability)

### Why?

Malware-safe repositories

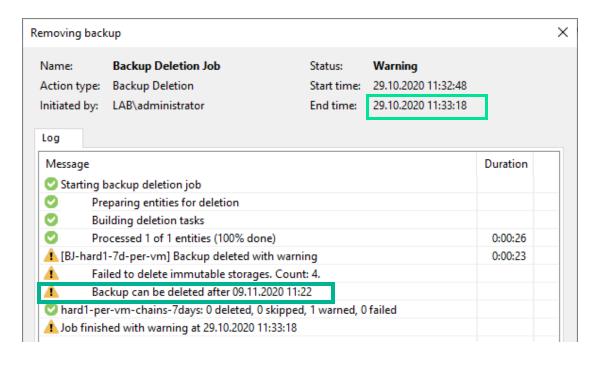
If set up properly: insider protection

### What

Deny deletion of backups

### How

Use "immutable flag" in Linux





- NEW Veeam Threat Hunter
- YARA Rule-Based Scanning
- Secure Restore to Prevent Reinfection
- Recovery Verification with SureBackup

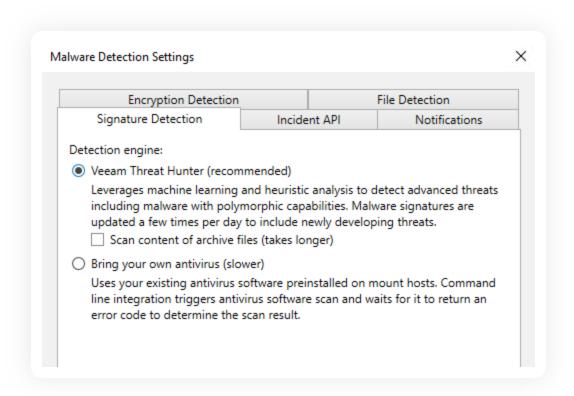


### Veeam Threat Hunter

Protection against millions of malware threats

### **Key features:**

- Enables an opportunity for dual AV scans (production system + Veeam Threat Hunter)
  - Provides a "second opinion" for false positives
  - Casts a wider net when looking for threats with a secondary signature-based scan
- Faster processing compared to external scanners
  - Deployed on Windows repository mount hosts
  - Improves performance for Secure Restore operations

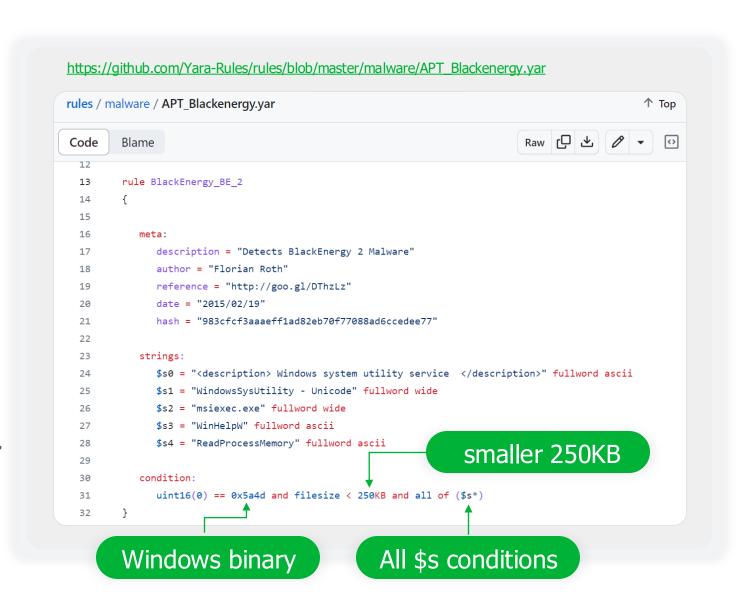




### What Are YARA Rules?

- Signature based detection
- Yes / no result
- Anyone can write rules
- Not a silver bullet

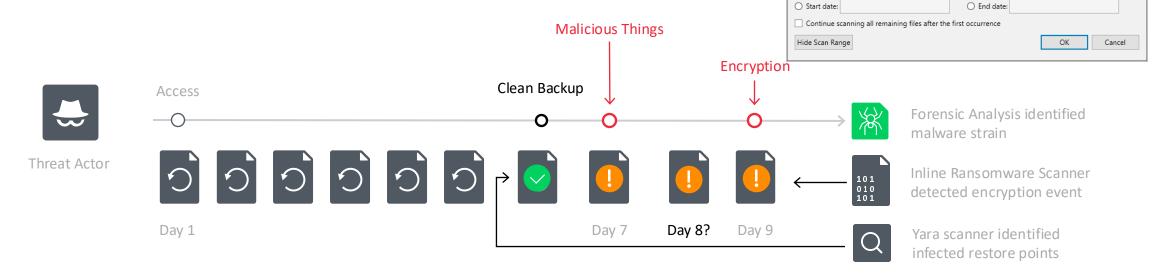
 Can be used to find "anything" e.g. credit card numbers





### Yara Threat Detection Engine

- a) Yara is used in digital forensics and incident response
- b) Ad-hoc Yara scan for a specific backup
- c) Integrated into Surebackup and secure restore
- d) Can be used daily or during incident response



Scan Backup

Scan mode:

Scan engine:

FindFileByHash.yara

Most recent restore point

Find the last clean restore point

Find the last clean restore point in range

O Scan content of all restore points in range

□ Scan restore points with an antivirus engine
 □ Scan restore points with the following YARA rule:

Copy YARA rules location to clipboard

health information (PHI) or payment card industry (PCI) data.

Performs an ad-hoc scan of your backups with an antivirus or YARA engine to find the latest malware-free

Restore points will be scanned sequentially starting from the most recent one until the first malware-free

Restore points will be scanned in the optimal order to identify the last clean backup with least scans

All restore points in range will be scanned sequentially. Use this option for backup content analysis with an applicable YARA rule, for example when looking for personally identifiable information (PII), personal

To:

Oldest available restore point

possible. Use this option if you are unsure when an attack started or when dealing with a sleeping

restore point, or to detect a presence of specific data, such as personal information.

backup is found. Use this option when a cyber-attack is known to have started recently.

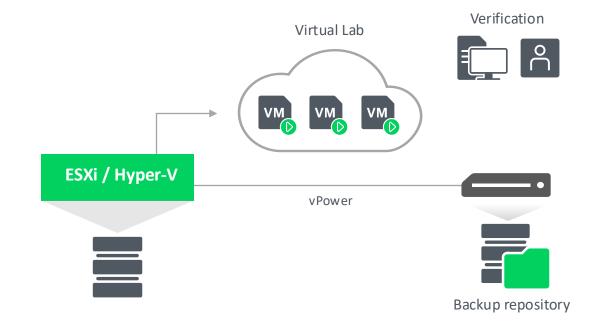
Accelerates clean recovery from ransomware while reducing the chance of reinfection



# SureBackup

With SureBackup technology you can automatically verify the recoverability of every backup.

- 1. Starts VMs in an isolated Datalab environment
- 2. Performs a set of tests
- 3. Sends a status report to your mailbox



Create virtual lab

Create application groups Create SureBackup Job(s) Specify Tests within the jobs

Schedule SureBackup jobs Receive verification report



### **SureBackup Report**

### SureBackup: Exchange SureBackup Job

### Session Details

Status	Success	Start time	12/29/2018 2:03:30 PM
Total tasks	4	End time	12/29/2018 3:21:05 PM
Processed tasks	4	Duration	1:17:34
Successful tasks	4	Warning tasks	0
Failed tasks	0	Skipped tasks	0
Progress	100 %		

### Details

### Virtual machines status

VM name	Status	Start time	End time	Heartbeat test	Ping test	Custom script test	Validation test	Malware scan test
dns01	Success	12/29/2018 2:03:31 PM	12/29/2018 3:19:48 PM	Success	Success	Disabled	Disabled	Disabled
dc03	Success	12/29/2018 2:03:31 PM	12/29/2018 3:19:39 PM	Success	Success	Disabled	Disabled	Disabled
exch01	Success	12/29/2018 2:03:31 PM	12/29/2018 3:19:28 PM	Success	Success	Disabled	Disabled	Disabled
fileserv03	Success	12/29/2018 2:03:31 PM	12/29/2018 3:20:55 PM	Success	Success	Disabled	Success	Success



### Veeam Recovery Orchestrator



### Compliance

RTO and RPO reporting help meet compliance standards and SLA targets



### Clean Recovery

Restore the most recent clean recovery point, powered by iterative ransomware scans and VBR-backed intelligence



### **Dynamic Documentation**

Automatically updated reports for checks, tests and executions help correct issues with DR readiness



### Recovery to Cloud

Orchestrated Direct Restore to Microsoft Azure gives your business resiliency with DR to the cloud.

### Supported platforms and applications:





Azure, vSphere, Hyper-V



Veaam Agents: Windows & Linux



Apps: Exchange, SQL, SharePoint



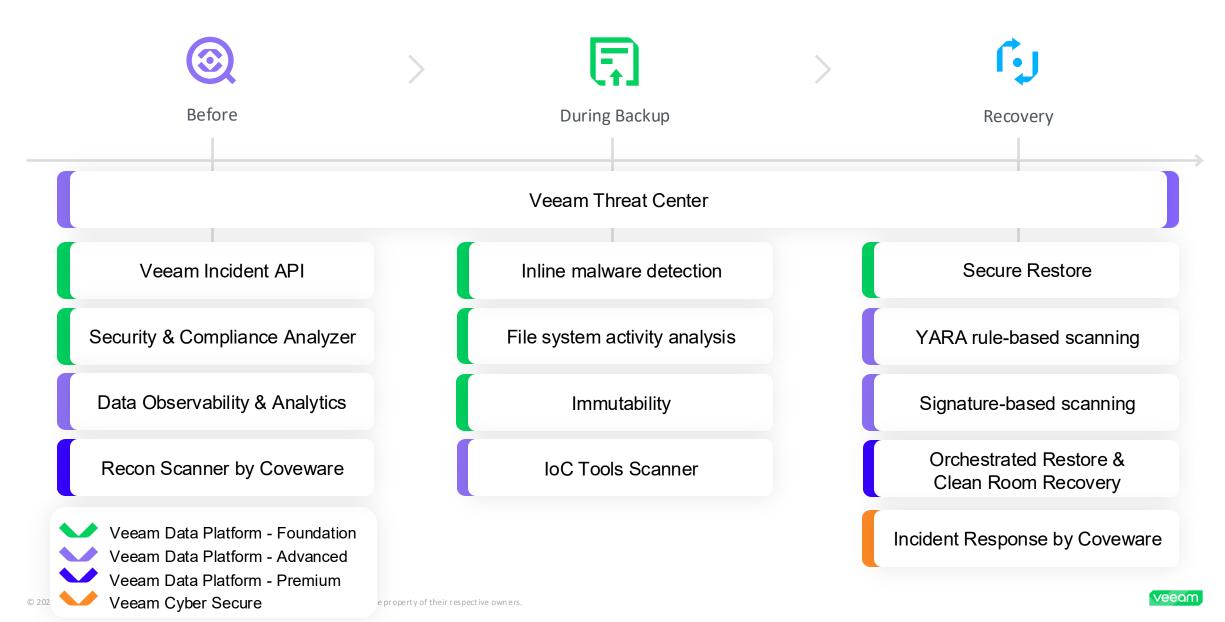
Storage: NetApp, HPE, Lenovo



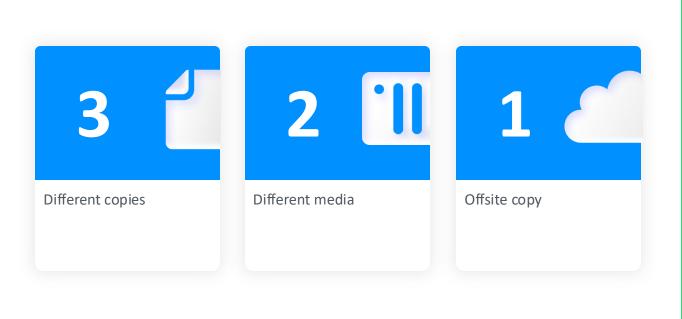
Custom scripting

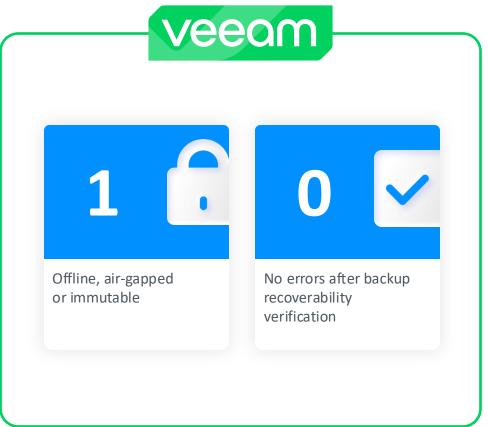


### Resilience Throughout Your Data's Lifecycle



# Prepare: the data protection zip code







# Veeam Data Cloud Veeam Vault

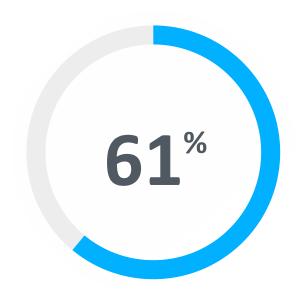




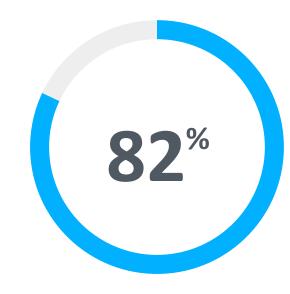
# Backups need a resilient, secure place to land



of ransomware attacks explicitly target backups<sup>1</sup>



of organizations use cloud storage in addition to disk-based backup<sup>2</sup>



of organizations use immutable cloud storage<sup>2</sup>



<sup>1</sup> Veeam Ransomware Trends 2023 report

<sup>2</sup> Veeam Data Protection Trends 2024 report

### 3-2-1-1-0 Rule Made Easy

### with Veeam Data Cloud Vault



### **3 COPIES OF DATA**

- ✓ Supports direct, copied and tiered backup from VDP
- ✓ Synchronously copied in cloud for up to 12 nines of durability

### **2 DIFFERENT MEDIA**

✓ Built on object storage to compliment on-premises disk

### 1 COPY OFFSITE

✓ Stored securely in cloud

### 1 COPY OFFLINE

- ✓ Logically air-gapped from your data center
- ✓ Always immutable

### **0 ERRORS**

✓ Works with all Veeam backup and recovery verification tests



# Conclusion

### **Importance of Data Security**

Enhancing healthcare data security is essential to protect electronic health records and critical infrastructure from threats.

### **Understanding Challenges**

Healthcare organizations need to understand various challenges posed by evolving cyber threats to safeguard sensitive patient data.

### **Implementing Solutions**

Effective solutions can help healthcare organizations ensure compliance and protect against evolving threats to patient data.





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