

# 7 Major Downtime Events Inflicting Significant Financial Strain on Hospitals

As cyberattacks on healthcare systems continue to rise, hospitals face increasingly severe financial repercussions. To mitigate these risks, it's crucial for healthcare organizations to proactively implement secure and reliable downtime solutions that can safeguard patient data and maintain operations during a breach. Read about the following incidents that have led to substantial financial losses for hospitals across the nation as a result of these attacks.

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UnitedHealth Group paid a \$22 million ransom after the Change Healthcare cyberattack, which resulted in the theft of 6 TB of patient data.

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The CrowdStrike Microsoft Outage affected over 8.5 million Microsoft operating systems, resulting in a \$1.9 billion loss in the healthcare sector.

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The CommonSpirit Health ransomware attack in October 2022 exposed the personal data of more than 623,700 patients, and the incident cost was reported to be an estimated \$160 million.

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Maryland-based Atlantic General Hospital reached a \$2.25 million data breach settlement over a January 2023 hack and subsequent data breach that affected 30,000 individuals.

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In May 2024, a cyberattack on Ascension severely disrupted hospital operations across multiple states and stole patient information, resulting in an estimated \$1.3 billion loss in operating margins.

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Advocate Aurora Health reached a \$12.25 million settlement to resolve a data breach lawsuit that had impacted 3 million individuals in an October 2022 data breach.

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Logan Health Medical Center reached a \$4.3 million settlement to resolve a class action lawsuit stemming from a Fall 2021 healthcare data breach that affected 213,543 individuals.

To defend against the growing threat of cyberattacks, healthcare organizations must prioritize the adoption of secure and reliable downtime solutions like dbtech. Reach out to dbtech today to ensure your operations remain secure and efficient during downtime events.