CA HOST-BASED INTRUSION PREVENTION SYSTEM (CA HIPS) BLENDS A STAND-ALONE FIREWALL WITH INTRUSION DETECTION AND PREVENTION TO CREATE A CENTRALIZED, PROACTIVE DEFENSE AGAINST KNOWN AND UNKNOWN ONLINE THREATS. BEHAVIOR-BASED REAL-TIME PROTECTION COMPLEMENTS SIGNATURE-BASED TECHNOLOGIES, PROVIDING SUPERIOR SECURITY, ACCESS CONTROL, POLICY ENFORCEMENT AND INTRUSION PREVENTION MANAGEMENT UNDER A SINGLE, INTUITIVE CONSOLE.

Overview

Malicious code and blended threats are evolving too quickly for traditional threat protection to keep up. You need a blended defense that combines and layers endpoint security.

CA HIPS combines stand-alone firewall and intrusion detection and prevention, complementing signature-based technologies with centralized, proactive protection against known and unknown online threats.

Benefits

By adding CA HIPS to your existing threat defenses, you enhance your endpoint protection with centralized access control and policy enforcement.

A variety of known and unknown threats is effectively blocked, reducing the risk of downtime, lowering or eliminating remediation expenses and help desk costs, improving operational efficiencies, boosting end user and IT staff productivity and ensuring service continuity.

CA Advantage

CA HIPS complements other CA threat management products and, with them, provides a comprehensive and multilayered defense against known and unknown threats.

CA security solutions are a fundamental component of CA's broader Enterprise IT Management (EITM) vision to unify, simplify and secure the management of technology.
CA HIPS Counters Blended Threats with a Blended Defense

The malware phenomenon has evolved from a hacker sport, populated by amateurs seeking bragging rights, to a criminal enterprise, populated by software professionals looking for ill-gotten gains. These crimeware authors are using sophisticated combinations of attack techniques to defeat traditional threat-protection products, target the rapidly growing and increasingly diverse population of remote and mobile endpoint devices, and exploit the opportunities that zero-day vulnerabilities present.

Signature-based anti-virus and anti-spyware products play an important role in endpoint security, but they are reactive technologies suffering from a real-time gap that is highlighted by the advent of blended threats and zero-day attacks. Blended threats mandate a blended and layered defense, and zero-day attacks require proactive, behavior-based protection.

CA HIPS creates a powerful three-in-one threat protection solution by combining stand-alone firewall, intrusion detection and intrusion prevention capabilities under central, policy-based management. With CA HIPS, you can monitor network traffic and system behavior and spot the anomalies that often herald new threats.

This host-based software continues to protect endpoints even when they are off the network. When users reconnect, the server component automatically pushes any new policy updates down to their devices.

CA HIPS fronts a sophisticated policy management with a highly intuitive interface. You can base security rules on a number of factors — such as the user’s geographic location, the time of day and the individual user’s role in the organization — and apply them dynamically. Your administrators can use these highly granular policy-setting capabilities and a “learning mode” to tailor CA HIPS to the way your business already uses software.

Key Capabilities

THREE THREAT PROTECTION TECHNOLOGIES IN ONE  A combination of stand-alone firewall and intrusion detection and prevention provides proactive endpoint protection against known and unknown threats. You manage access control, policy enforcement and deployment from an intuitive web-based console.

BEHAVIOR-BASED REAL-TIME PROTECTION  CA HIPS has a learning mode you can use to baseline your existing system behavior and create or adapt security policies accordingly. As a result, you can fine-tune anomaly detection to eliminate false alarms, and customize threat protection to match your business needs.

CENTRALIZED POLICY MANAGEMENT  With centrally managed policy creation, deployment and maintenance, the ongoing administration of security policy across the enterprise is both easy and flexible. From the intuitive graphical interface, you can set policies that apply rules for user groups, types of endpoint devices, security functions and security levels.

GRANULAR POLICY AND RULE SETTING  Administrators can determine the level of access and control applied to systems, groups of users or individual users. They can also establish a policy that applies to specific users during certain hours, or when they are operating in specific roles or in specific locations.
COMPREHENSIVE EVENT MANAGEMENT  The CA HIPS server collects and records the events that occur on each client, and provides filters that the administrator can use to sift for important events. The filtering criteria are offered through a convenient drop-down menu.

POLICY-BASED CLIENT USER INTERFACE  CA HIPS provides an intuitive client user interface for end users. Depending on policies set by the system administrator, your end users can see and modify CA HIPS defensive measures for their own PCs, blocking new attacks on the desktop if necessary. This feature is controlled centrally and can be turned on or off at the administrator’s discretion.

GRAPHICAL TECHNICAL AND BUSINESS REPORTS  Using the graphical reports in CA HIPS, you can track incidents and look for patterns. Reports allow you to collate, analyze, understand and present threat information, displaying it in tables, pie charts or bar charts.

MULTIPLE LANGUAGES FOR GLOBAL DEPLOYMENTS  CA HIPS supports English, French, Italian, German, Simplified Chinese, Brazilian Portuguese and Spanish.

FIGURE A
The CA HIPS Main Screen controls the CA HIPS software in your environment. The Administrator can create and distribute policies and rules to all of the CA HIPS clients in the organization.

ADMINISTRATOR’S MAIN SCREEN
CA HIPS Protects Assets, Reduces Downtime and Improves Operational Efficiencies

By applying the real-time, proactive protection — the centralized access control and policy enforcement in CA HIPS — you enhance your endpoint protection against known and unknown threats. CA HIPS reduces the risk of downtime by preventing malware, spyware and rogue software from using endpoints to gain access to your network. And fewer threat infections mean lower remediation and help desk costs and greater operational efficiencies.

With the proactive anomaly detection in CA HIPS, you can ensure service continuity in the face of zero-day threats. Using key intelligence in CA HIPS, system administrators can learn normal system behavior and create policies to make anomalies stand out. As a result, you can protect your IT resources and processes and keep them operating safely in the absence of signature updates. You can use this same intelligence to adapt threat protection to your business instead of the other way around.

Proper security and threat protection are good business practice and, depending on the information and IT assets protected, are often mandated by state and federal government regulations. You can use the rich logging and reporting capabilities in CA HIPS to ease the burden of regulatory compliance. CA HIPS also leverages existing investments in traditional signature-based endpoint protection solutions, combining with them to create a multilayered threat defense that can detect and remove threats at one layer that may have evaded detection at another.
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**CA Advantage**

CA HIPS complements other products within the CA Threat Management solution, combining to provide a comprehensive, multilayered defense against viruses, spyware, adware, rogue software and other known and unknown threats. CA’s integrated threat management strategy is an important part of CA’s overall approach to transforming IT management. CA’s EITM framework allows you to unify and simplify IT management across the enterprise for greater business results.

**Next Steps**

CA Host-Based Intrusion Prevention System is an enterprise-ready product that enhances and streamlines existing threat management, boosts employee productivity, optimizes IT resources, eases regulatory compliance and improves service continuity.

Discover how CA HIPS can help you enhance your endpoint protection against known and unknown threats.

To learn more, and see how CA software solutions enable organizations to unify and simplify IT management for better business results, visit ca.com/products.