

THREAT ADVISORY

VMWare vCenter affected by multiple RCE Vulnerabilities

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Multiple Remote code execution vulnerabilities have been patched by VMWare today. These vulnerabilities (CVE-2021-21985, CVE-2021-21986) exist due to lack of validation in vSAN (Virtual SAN) Health Check Plug-in which is a default plug-in in vCenter Server. Anyone with an unauthorized network access to port 443 can exploit these by executing commands which do not require any privileges on the OS where vCenter server exists.

Vulnerability Details

CVE ID	Affected Versions	Affected CPEs	Vulnerability Name
CVE-2021-21985	vCenter Server versions 7.0, 6.7, 6.5	cpe:2.3:a:vmware:vcenter_server:6.5:-:*:*:*:* cpe:2.3:a:vmware:vcenter_server:6.7:*:*:*:*:*	VMware vCenter Server updates address remote code execution vulnerability in the vSphere Client
CVE-2021-21986	Cloud Foundation (vCenter Server) versions 4.x, 3.x	cpe:2.3:a:vmware:vcenter_server:7.0:*:*:*:*:* cpe:2.3:a:vmware:cloud_foundation:3.0:*:*:*:*:* cpe:2.3:a:vmware:cloud_foundation:4.0:*:*:*:*:*	Authentication mechanism issue in vCenter Server Plug-ins

Patch Links

<https://www.vmware.com/security/advisories/VMSA-2021-0010.html>

References

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