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Protect sensitive data and encryption keys with Microsoft SQL server and nCipher nShield hardware security modules

- Mitigate risk of data breaches
- Separate role of database and security administrator
- Maintain database structure and processes
- Comply with regulations and legislative mandates
- Provide FIPS 140-2 and Common Criteria root of trust

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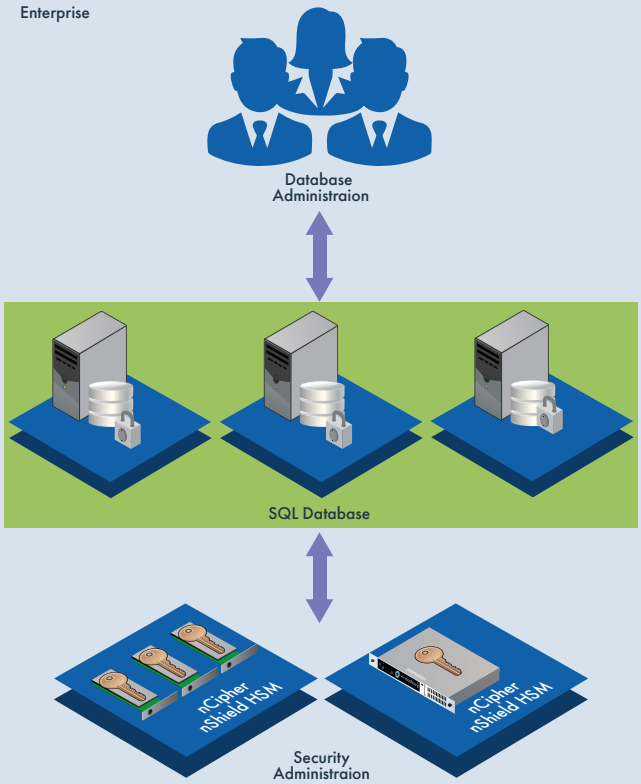
THE PROBLEM: YOUR CORPORATE DATABASES ARE PRIME TARGETS FOR ATTACK.

Corporate databases are a significant repository of sensitive information. They typically contain confidential human resources data, intellectual property, and even customer credit card details. Data breaches put your organization at significant risk of reputational and brand damage. Data breach disclosure requirements, and potential fines and liabilities can have a serious impact on your organization. Encrypting data in your databases protects it from compromise, but only if the encryption keys that unlock the data are also protected.

THE CHALLENGE: SAFEGUARDING AND MANAGING GROWING NUMBER OF ENCRYPTION KEYS WITHOUT DEGRADING DATABASE PERFORMANCE.

With more security-sensitive data stored in your corporate databases, it is imperative to secure and manage growing numbers of encryption keys. Safeguarding and managing the keys used to protect data confidentiality is critical. Protecting them separately, in an environment isolated from the data and the database application, affords the greatest level of protection from internal and external threats. An automated and trusted process ensures that encryption keys will always be available to the database application when needed.



nShield HSMs safeguard and manage SQL Server encryption keys, protecting them from compromise and misuse to secure data and enable compliance.

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THE SOLUTION: MICROSOFT SQL SERVER WITH NCIPHER NSHIELD SAFEGUARDS YOUR DATA AND ENCRYPTION KEYS.

SQL Server database management system enables storage and retrieval of data resources requested by software applications across corporate networks. SQL Server enables you to encrypt individual cells in the database, as well as the entire database, using Transparent Data Encryption (TDE). The TDE capability secures your databases without changing existing applications, database structures, or processes.

nCipher nShield Hardware Security Modules (HSMs) integrate with Microsoft SQL Server to protect and manage encryption keys outside of the applications and the operating system. Utilizing Microsoft's Extensible Key Management (EKM), nShield HSMs protect the database from compromise and deliver a secure root of trust for the entire system. EKM also enables nShield HSMs to provide key management services for multiple databases, protecting keys used by other applications in the enterprise. nShield HSMs safeguard and manage keys, affording protection from unauthorized access and ensuring the long-term usability of encrypted data. By enforcing access to encryption keys by policy, your database is protected from compromise, and risks of data breaches are mitigated to facilitate compliance with regulatory and legislative mandates, including the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS).

WHY USE NSHIELD HSMS WITH SQL SERVER?

nShield HSMs ease the burden of safeguarding and managing encryption keys with flexible deployment options including clustering and failover. These capabilities ensure business continuity of critical systems in line with your disaster recovery and data retention needs. Available as a dedicated card for a single server applications, or as a shared network appliance for virtualized environments, nShield HSMs separate security policy management from administrative functions, helping you meet the changing demands of your business. nShield HSMs deliver:

- Hardware key protection – Store database encryption keys in a secure, tamper-resistant environment isolated from the database administration to prevent copying or tampering
- Enforcement of users and roles – Extend access rights established in SQL Server for accessing encrypted data
- Tight control of keys – Smart card authentication of administrators firmly controls access to database encryption keys
- Separation of roles - Split responsibility for important tasks and procedures across multiple administrators

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nShield HSMs provide encryption services for systems running SQL Server. Providing a FIPS 140-2 Level 3 and Common Criteria EAL4+ certified root of trust, nShield HSMs simplify management of SQL Server database encryption keys across the enterprise. nCipher nShield HSMs:

- Store encryption keys in secure and tamper resistant environment
- Comply with regulatory requirements for public sector, financial services, and enterprises
- Manage administrator access with smart card-based policy and two-factor authentication
- Administer unattended HSMs in remote locations and eliminate need to delegate authority

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SQL Server has transformed the way organizations utilize their mission-critical data. SQL Server not only maintains protected storage and control access to database resources, but also enables real-time insight across transactional and analytical assets, establishing trustworthy business environments.
Microsoft SQL Server:

- Protect data at rest and in motion
- Control user access
- Enable real-time advanced analytics
- Scale across the enterprise and cloud

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To find out more how nCipher Security can deliver trust, integrity and control to your business critical information and applications, visit www.ncipher.com

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