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Nadeem,

Three key components to security are

1. Firewall,
2. Antivirus
3. Routinely installing Critical Security Updates.

Your Cable company may provide some level of firewall protection. Here is another resource for Firewall information:

321050 Description of a Personal Firewall
<http://support.microsoft.com/?id=321050>

ANTIVIRUS:

Regarding recommendations for the best Antivirus Software, Microsoft cannot formally endorse a specific product but here is a KB Article that contains contact information for most Antivirus vendors:

<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?kbid=49500>

For additional antivirus resources and lists of antivirus products that are designed to work with various Microsoft products, visit the following Microsoft Web site:

<http://www.microsoft.com/security/antivirus/default.asp>

Here is a Free Trial Subscription I saw the other day:

<http://www.my-etrust.com/microsoft/>

Another note on firewall and antivirus components: you should contact your Cable company to get their recommendation because they may have a list of software that is compatible or not compatible with their hardware and software.

Regarding routinely installing critical updates, please configure your

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system to automatically download updates:

327838 How to schedule automatic updates in Windows XP, Windows 2000, or
<http://support.microsoft.com/?id=327838>

327850 How to configure and use Automatic Updates in Windows 2000
<http://support.microsoft.com/?id=327850>

Windows Update: <http://windowsupdate.microsoft.com>

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MBSA Homepage:

<http://www.microsoft.com/MBSA>

Windows XP Security Homepage:

<http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/security/default.asp>

Windows 2000 Security Homepage:

<http://www.microsoft.com/windows2000/security/default.asp>

Top 10 Windows Newsgroups Security Questions:

<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/newsgroups/default.asp?url=/technet/newsgroups/nodepages/sectop10.asp>

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| Which is the best security software for cable modem? Do

| i need to install any other software to prevent a hack?

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| Thanks

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