



## **HIPAA Solutions, LC**

### *Comprehensive Compliance Resources*

# **HIPAA CONSULTING / AUDITS & ASSESSMENTS**

## **KNOW YOUR HIPAA COMPLIANCE STATUS**

Ongoing enforcement of HIPAA and HITECH Act regulations means that every Covered Entity (CE) and Business Associate (BA) should evaluate their level of compliance and how Protected Health Information (PHI) is secured.

The Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (HITECH Act) strengthened enforcement and penalties can have major ramifications on the implementation of Health IT systems and Electronic Health Records (EHR).



A HIPAA and HITECH compliance strategy incorporating HIPAA strategic planning along with audits and assessments to evaluate risks is recommended for both CEs and BAs. These assessments should include compliance evaluations of HIPAA Privacy and Security rules, HITECH compliance, and the Omnibus Rule released in 2013.

## **HIPAA Solutions, LC offers nationally recognized expertise to perform audits and services on HIPAA/HITECH Privacy and Security for the following areas:**

- IT Infrastructure - servers and operating systems
- Network Infrastructure – routers, firewalls, workstations and e-mail systems
- Internal and external network system
- User access - online applications or PHI in records
- Disaster recovery and backup
- Business processes and computer applications
- Compliance status related to the “minimum necessary” rule of HIPAA
- Meaningful Use Risk Assessments
- Assistance in responding to OCR audits
- Policies and procedures relating to specific job functions and departments
- Analysis of documentation of implementation as proof of compliance for all HIPAA / HITECH legal and technical mandates
- Tracking and documentation of access and uses of PHI
- Training for initial awareness and updates to address court rulings or regulatory changes
- Security of PHI at facilities and in personnel activity

## **SPECIAL AUDITS BA and GAP ANALYSIS**

### **BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AUDIT**

A Business Associate audit will determine the exact level of compliance of a Business Associate without disrupting either the CE or BA operations. Under the new rules BAs and CEs are “joined at the hip” regarding HIPAA compliance. Lack of compliance by a BA can negatively impact both the BA and any CE that is utilizing the BA for services or products, including fines, audits and civil liability.

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### **VERIFICATION AUDIT**

A “Verification audit” will determine whether an organization has implemented all legally required controls, including an analysis of the existence of all mandated Privacy and Security controls and identifying any required controls that may be missing.

**Contact HIPAA Solutions, LC today to discuss your compliance requirements**

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