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HIPAA Compliance Pre-Assessment

APPROACHING SOUND SECURITY

For healthcare organizations and their business associates, Trustwave provides knowledge and expert guidance at each milestone on the road to secure protected health information (PHI).

Compliance Program Evaluation

Healthcare providers must comply with the Security, Privacy and Breach Notification Rules under the Health Information Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Final Omnibus Rule. And by extension of contractual obligations, business associates are also under the purview of HIPAA compliance. However,
many organizations are not focused on HIPAA compliance, let alone security and often have informal or undeveloped compliance programs.

Checklists alone aren't sufficient for businesses to make good security decisions. Smart decision making requires risk-centered attention aided by a Trustwave HIPAA Compliance Pre-Assessment.

A Trustwave HIPAA Compliance Pre-Assessment is a high-level evaluation of the security, privacy and incident readiness posture of an organization as compared to the HIPAA Omnibus standards.

High Stakes Hazards

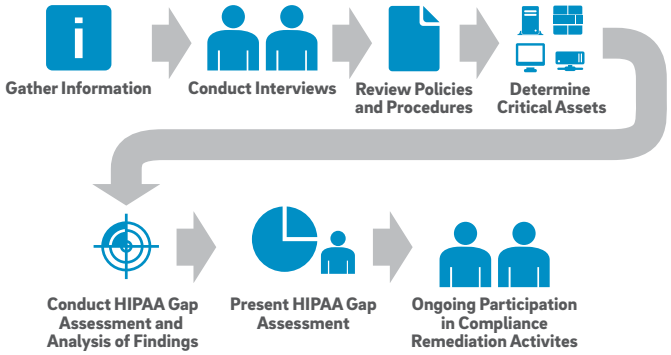
The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) are the governing authorities responsible for HIPAA compliance. Interconnected are the patients whose information and privacy is the subject of HIPAA safeguards. Consequently, businesses and healthcare organizations that handle protected health information are confronted with two risks—risk of audit and risk of breach.

Complaints, Investigations & Audits

The OCR HIPAA Audit program analyzes, processes and controls policies for adherence to the HIPAA standards in response to public complaints and random investigations. Would your organization be ready in the event the OCR came knocking? The Trustwave HIPAA Compliance Pre-Assessment service offers both cost-savings and expert guidance, to assess and document your organization's HIPAA compliance posture in the worst case scenario of a HIPAA complaint, investigation or audit.

Violations & Breaches

Unauthorized use or disclosure of protected health information (PHI) is presumed to be a breach unless the involved organization can demonstrate otherwise. Healthcare organizations and their business associates risk reputational damage, fines and penalties, for both the entities and individuals tied to the nature and extent of a breach of PHI. A Trustwave HIPAA Compliance Pre-Assessment will help you gain an understanding of present breach risks and provide you with guidance for prioritized remediation activities to ensure the security of PHI and other sensitive information.



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Vision

The HIPAA Compliance Pre-Assessment is designed to identify the degree of conformity that your organization displays in reference to the HIPAA Omnibus standards. Our consultants are positioned to examine your environment for successes and faults, to help you understand your true compliance posture.

Mission

The intent of the assessment is to discover holes in your current written policies and procedures, and oversights in existing business processes. With the help of this service, your organization will gain the confidence to make a determination of whether your organization is ready for compliance validation, or to how to prioritize security remediation activities required to achieve HIPAA compliance.

Method

Trustwave consultants will evaluate your organization's existing HIPAA compliance through documentation and business process reviews to identify critical and high risk findings. Your compliance program will be evaluated against all aspects of the HIPAA Omnibus standard which is divided into three main areas—Security, Privacy and Breach Notification Rules.

Workflow

Introductions and Planning—The consultant will create a project timeline, identify critical personnel resources and plot key objectives.

Documentation and Evidence—At the outset, we'll request and assess data flow diagrams, existing security policies, inventory of hardware, software and applications as well as network maps and organization charts.

Policies and Procedures—We'll evaluate all policy and procedure documentation to gain an understanding of program directives and business processes within the PHI environment.

Asset Inventory and Classification—This inventory will draw attention to critical assets and highlight required security management processes to protect them.

Compliance Assessment—Compliance gaps that are discovered are documented, referencing gaps to HIPAA standards, and categorizing gaps by key activity.

Analysis of Findings—The analysis will define the desired security posture, identify compliance deficiencies and recommend a plan to resolve high priority issues.

HIPAA Compliance Pre-Assessment Report—At the end of the engagement your organization is provided a report that identifies policy gaps that to critical HIPAA regulatory issues, and specific actionable recommendations.

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