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HIPAA and
Dental

A COMPREHENSIVE GUIDE TO AUTOMATING HIPAA COMPLIANCE.

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What is HIPAA?

Did you know: In the past, dentists have been fined for as little of a violation as responding to a review on Yelp.

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) established industry standards for anyone working in healthcare. As such, HIPAA rules for those in the dental industry are the same as any other covered entity's (CE) obligations.

HIPAA regulations for dental offices require protected health information (PHI) to be safeguarded in the form of administrative, technical, and physical safeguards. With the increase in healthcare breaches, HIPAA dental compliance has never been more important.

Protecting patients' PHI should be a top priority for any healthcare entity as the healthcare industry is the most targeted for ransomware attacks. A ransomware attack occurs when a hacker infiltrates an organization's internal network and encrypts or steal sensitive data, demanding a sum of money for its return. Some medical practices, especially smaller ones, think that they don't need to be concerned about ransomware attacks, however, hackers are increasingly targeting small businesses as they are easier targets.

It is important to be aware of all of the HIPAA requirements and to make sure that you are confidently fulfilling such requirements.

Checklist of Your HIPAA Requirements

The following are identified by HHS OCR as elements of an effective compliance program. Please check off as applicable to self-evaluate your practice or organization.

Have you conducted the following six (6) required annual Audits/Assessments?

- ❑ Security Risk Assessment
- ❑ Privacy Standards Audit (Not required for BAs)
- ❑ HITECH Subtitle D Privacy Audit
- ❑ Security Standards Audit
- ❑ Asset and Device Audit
- ❑ Physical Site Audit

Have you identified all gaps uncovered in the audits above?

- ❑ Have you documented all deficiencies?

Have you created remediation plans to address deficiencies found in all six (6) Audits?

- ❑ Are these remediation plans fully documented in writing?
- ❑ Do you update and review these remediation plans annually?
- ❑ Are annually documented remediation plans retained in your records for six (6) years?

Have all staff members undergone annual HIPAA training?

- ❑ Do you have documentation of their training?
- ❑ Is there a staff member designated as the HIPAA Compliance, Privacy, and/or Security Officer?

Do you have Policies and Procedures relevant to the annual HIPAA Privacy, Security, and Breach Notification Rules?

- ❑ Have all staff members read and legally attested to the Policies and Procedures?
- ❑ Do you have documentation of their legal attestation?
- ❑ Do you have documentation for annual reviews of your Policies and Procedures?

Have you identified all of your vendors and Business Associates?

- ❑ Do you have Business Associate Agreements in place with all Business Associates?
- ❑ Have you performed due diligence on your Business Associates to assess their HIPAA compliance?
- ❑ Are you tracking and reviewing your Business Associate Agreements annually?
- ❑ Do you have Confidentiality Agreements with non-Business Associate vendors?

Do you have a defined process for incidents or breaches?

- ❑ Do you have the ability to track and manage the investigations of all incidents?
- ❑ Are you able to provide the required reporting of minor or meaningful breaches or incidents?
- ❑ Do your staff members have the ability to anonymously report an incident?

* AUDIT TIP: If audited, you must provide all documentation for the past six (6) years to auditors.

Need help completing your Checklist? Schedule your HIPAA consultation today at
855-85-HIPAA or info@compliancygroup.com

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Benefits to Getting Compliant

Compliancy Group's total HIPAA compliance solution allows your practice to become HIPAA compliant, with the support of dedicated Compliance Coaches guiding you through the process. By being HIPAA compliant, you increase the trust of your patients and any potential patients.

WHY YOU SHOULD BECOME HIPAA COMPLIANT:

- ✓ SATISFY THE LAW

- ✓ PROVE TO PROSPECTIVE PATIENTS THAT THEY CAN TRUST YOU

- ✓ PROTECT YOUR PRACTICE FROM AUDITS AND FINES

- ✓ DIFFERENTIATE AND GROW YOUR PRACTICE

BY BECOMING COMPLIANT, YOU GAIN CONFIDENCE THAT YOUR PRACTICE IS PROTECTED FROM FINANCIAL AND LEGAL LIABILITIES

WITH COMPLIANCY GROUP'S INDUSTRY RECOGNIZED HIPAA SEAL OF COMPLIANCE, YOUR PATIENTS CAN REST ASSURED THAT YOU HAVE TAKEN ALL THE NECESSARY STEPS TO PROTECT THEIR INFORMATION.

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Seal of Compliance

The Seal of Compliance verifies and validates that users of our HIPAA software, The Guard, have made every effort to satisfy the HIPAA regulations, and have the documentation to illustrate it.

The Seal of Compliance is issued by Compliancy Group upon users' completion of their HIPAA compliance program.

The Seal of Compliance serves as a great differentiator. The presence of the Seal, on your website or in your practice, proves to patients that you care about safeguarding their information. They can be confident that when they choose your practice, that you will do all that is necessary to protect their sensitive information.

"Compliancy Group has been extremely helpful in getting us HIPAA compliant in our busy dental office. When we first began, I had no idea where to even start. They have helped and been there every step of the way." - Couzens Dental

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Compliance Software & Coaching

When you sign up for our compliance software, you are assigned your own personal coach to assist you and make sure you're on track to get compliant. Our coaches are with you every step of the way and continue to offer support even after you're compliant.

Below is some of what is included in our software!

Snapshot of Compliance Status
Easily view your current compliance status and task list on a compliance dashboard. Ensures you are never missing a step and always on the right track!

Training and Attestations
Training that goes beyond a powerpoint. We give you the ability to effectively train and track your employees as well as provide you with videos and personalized training materials.

Security Risk Assessment
We provide the tools to complete your Security Risk Assessment as well as all the other required audits. All you need to do is simply answer a series of yes or no questions to assess your HIPAA risk!

Policies and Procedures
We help you to create custom policies and procedures that meet HIPAA standards, and apply specifically to your business. All BAAs, necessary documentation, attestations and more – all stored in one easy-to-access platform.

Compliance Software & Coaching

Remediation
Our software intuitively guides you through your HIPAA Risk Analysis and automatically assigns remediation plans. These remediation plans are fully documented and include calendar dates by which gaps need to be remedied.

Incident Management
Breaches happen, and when they do, they need to be reported. The Guard incident manager makes it easy to report incidents and allows users to do so anonymously.

There is a lot that goes into a HIPAA compliance program, and our solution helps automate the grunt work. It can also track your OSHA compliance and other requirements, as well!

Our industry-recognized software solution simplifies HIPAA compliance with Compliance Coaches there each step of the way. Compliancy Group gives you peace of mind in your compliance plan reducing risk, increasing patient loyalty, and profitability of your practice.

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