

HIPAA, PRIVACY & SECURITY

Hall Render provides a variety of services and products to assist in compliance with the privacy, security and breach notification regulations promulgated under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (HITECH). Members of the firm's HIPAA practice group have experience assisting clients on matters including: HIPAA policy assessment and development; workforce and management training; privacy and security audits; risk assessments; drafting, reviewing and negotiating business associate agreements; privacy notice development; breach assessment and notification; corrective actions; OCR and Attorney General investigation response; and general advice regarding the use, disclosure, exchange, retention and destruction of health information. Hall Render attorneys have advised health systems, hospitals, hospital associations, physician practices, ambulatory surgical centers, long-term care facilities, pharmacies, health plans, health care clearinghouses, business associates and health information exchanges.

In addition, Hall Render has developed various HIPAA compliance toolkits to guide covered entities and business associates in their HIPAA compliance efforts, including privacy and security toolkits for hospitals, physicians, health plans and long-term care facilities, as well as a HIPAA audit tool. Hall Render attorneys regularly publish and speak nationally on matters relating to HIPAA and HITECH compliance.

AREAS OF FOCUS

- BA Agreements
- Breach Notification Rule
- Disclosures
- HIPAA
- HITECH
- Judicial and Administrative Proceedings
- Minimum Necessary Requirements
- Notice of Privacy Practices
- Preemption of State Law
- Privacy Rule
- Protected Health Information (PHI)
- Safeguards
- Security Rule