



2016: Year of the HIPAA Audit (10.29.15) (Trouble viewing this email? [Click here](#))

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More HIPAA Audits on the Horizon

HHS announced that it will launch HIPAA audits early next year [2016] in order to be more proactive in HIPAA enforcement.

OCR recently stated in a media report that audits were expected to start in 2016, but in a September 23, 2015 letter, the office more specifically said that **audits will start early in the year.**

Audit Protocol

To that end, OCR has established a comprehensive audit protocol that contains the requirements to be assessed through audits. A detailed list of OCR protocols when administering audits is available here:

<http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/privacy/hipaa/enforcement/audit/protocol.html>.

Covered entities to be included in the audits are health care providers, insurers, clearinghouses & business associates. They are all required to disclose suspected breaches of protected health information, and audits can examine compliance with various obligations related to the privacy & physical security of PHI.

What Does This Mean For You?

So what does all this government money mean for you? Unfortunately, it means there will be more audits beginning in early in 2016 so be sure you are prepared. For mental health audit tips, see [Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Audit](#).

Find more complimentary resources in our [HIPAA Resource Center](#) - and read the full article [here](#).

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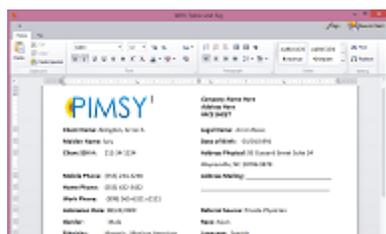
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Easy ICD-10

Things have been pretty quiet since the ICD-10 deadline, and as reimbursements start to come in, we should have a better picture of the success of ICD-10.

Click the video on the left to see just how easy ICD-10 can be.



Word Merge

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