

HIPAA Monthly Alert



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Protecting the Privacy and Security of Patient Information:

The Privacy Rule — sets national standards for when protected health information (PHI) may be used and disclosed.

The Security Rule — specifies safeguards that Liberty and our business associates must implement to protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of electronically protected health information (ePHI).

The Breach Notification Rule — requires Liberty to notify affected individuals, the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS), and, in some cases, the media of a breach of unsecured PHI.

When you suspect that data is compromised, you are to report this as a **“Data Incident”** since it is Liberty’s Officers and General Counsel who determine the severity of such an incident.

HIPAA Privacy Rule:

The HIPAA Privacy Rule establishes standards to protect PHI held by Liberty and our business associates health plans, health care clearinghouses, and health care providers that conduct certain health care transactions electronically.

The Privacy Rule gives individuals rights concerning their protected PHI, including rights to examine and obtain a copy of their health records in the form and manner they request and to ask for corrections to their information.

The Privacy Rule permits the use and disclosure of health information needed for patient care and other purposes.

Reference: <https://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN/MLNProducts/Downloads/HIPAAPrivacyandSecurity.pdf>

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