# HIPAA
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**Digital security is part of the HIPAA process:**

Security is a crucial part of Administrative Simplification rules under Title II of HIPAA, which aims to protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of electronically protected health information. It is important to recognize that security is not a one-time project, but is an ongoing, dynamic process. HIPAA requires security-related processes, many of which are often better implemented with technology. HIPAA regulations do not mandate specific security technologies. Instead, they specify a set of principles for guiding technology choices. These principles also mirror Liberty's Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).

**Key HIPAA compliance rules:**

Liberty's SOPs compliance solution meets key security technology auditing requirements in the detailed report, "Health Insurance Reform: Security Standards," Final Rule 45 CFR Part 164.30. Liberty fulfills key administrative safeguards for evaluation, security management, security incident procedures, training, and security assurance requirements of business associate contracts.

**What to expect based on experience from the healthcare industry with HIPAA:**

1. Increased HIPAA enforcement, including fines
2. Continuance of the HIPAA audit program
3. Continued focus on patient's rights under HIPAA
4. Issues with cybersecurity attacks
5. Continued media focus on healthcare privacy and security

Reference: https://www.qualys.com/docs/whitepapers/hipaa_guide.pdf

https://www.medicalofficemgr.com/webinar-files/slides/03-16-17-Presentation%20slides%20-%20HIPAA%20in%202017.pdf

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