



HIPAA/HITECH Readiness & Compliance Support Services

HIPAA/HITECH COMPLIANCE

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) was signed in 1996 with the goal to modernize the flow of healthcare information. It consists of 5 titles, and in the Cyber Security context, Title II is the most relevant.

HIPAA Title II establishes national standards for healthcare providers, healthcare insurance providers, and employers on handling the personal and health information. It addresses Security, Privacy, and Right to Access aspects of protected health information (PHI).

The HIPAA rules are being enforced by civil money penalties for HIPAA violations.

Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (HITECH Act) is a 2009 addition to HIPAA that incentivized adoption of Electronic Health Records (EHR). In addition it expanded the requirements to Business Associates that provide services for HIPAA Covered Entities.

HITECH also extended and updated the civil and criminal penalties for HIPAA violations.

HOW CAN GOLDSKY SECURITY SUPPORT YOUR HIPAA COMPLIANCE NEEDS?

HIPAA Security Risk Assessment – As required by HIPAA, risk analysis and risk management programs need to be in place and well documented. These documents demonstrate that the organization took all reasonable precautions to protect the data.

HIPAA Security & Privacy Compliance Assessments – Compliance and gap assessments are designed to unveil areas of high risk for data or compliance. GoldSky will assess the design, implementation, and effectiveness of required controls. If deficiencies are identified, remediation steps will be outlined.

Training, Workshops, and Advisory – Depending on your unique challenges, we will assist with HIPAA compliance needs for the organization.