

Privacy Confidentiality and Security Subcommittee:

Plans for 2015

Objectives

- To develop a letter to the Secretary regarding HIPAA § 1179 and financial institutions
- To develop a letter to the Secretary surveying the state of HIPAA understanding and implementation among small providers and other covered entities not large health care systems or payers
- To continue to work with populations and the data use subcommittee on the privacy, confidentiality, and security aspects of the use of data for improvements in community health and health care
- To disseminate Toolkit as widely as possible

§ 1179

- To develop a letter to the Secretary regarding HIPAA § 1179 and financial institutions
 - Suggested by ONC (Joy Pritts, at June meeting), OCR
 - Important area of confusion
 - Convergence with standards
 - Relatively limited issue; in Subcommittee's bandwidth
- Workplan
 - Hearing in February or March
 - Draft letter for May meeting

HIPAA State of Play

- To develop a letter to the Secretary surveying the state of HIPAA understanding and implementation among small providers and other covered entities not large health care systems or payers
 - Suggested by OCR
 - Will be helpful with NCVHS HIPAA report responsibilities
 - Important unexplored area; OCR is concerned that outside of the larger entities, many just “don’t get it”
- Work plan
 - February meeting to plan hearing
 - Hearing in May or June

Data Stewardship

- To continue to work with populations and the data use subcommittee on the privacy, confidentiality, and security aspects of the use of data for improvements in community health and health care
 - Important issue for the Committee
 - Somewhat within ONC interests; big data
 - Importance of publicizing Toolkit
- Workplan
 - Publicity for Toolkit
 - Participating in any hearings planned by Populations or Data Use

Toolkit Dissemination

- Finalization of product
- “Official” launch
- Networks
- Demonstrations
- Other publicity