# PCIHIPAA Publishes "10 Steps to Practical HIPAA Compliance" to Assist Healthcare Professionals with HIPAA Law

*New White Paper Helps Practices Quickly Identify Key HIPAA Requirements While Also Providing a Roadmap to Corrective Actions*

SANTA MONICA, CA, UNITED STATES, December 6, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- PCIHIPAA published a white paper, "10 Steps to Practical HIPAA Compliance" to



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support the mandatory HIPAA compliance of healthcare practices. HIPAA Section Code 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(A) now mandates healthcare providers complete a risk assessment to reveal key vulnerabilities and help prevent data breaches. Confusion over HIPAA requirements and aggressive targeting of medical practices by cybercriminals have increased incidences of data breaches and threats to cyber security and heightened the concern surrounding the safety of PHI (protected health information).

PCIHIPAA's white paper provides medical and dental practices with a roadmap to evaluate their risks, and to avoid costly penalties for non-compliance.  The white paper documents 10 steps practices can take to address many of the administrative, physical and technical safeguards required under the HIPAA Security Rule.

"Our mission is to help medical and dental practices easily and affordably navigate HIPAA requirements, and to provide the solutions and information they need to protect their patient information." said Jeff Broudy CEO of PCIHIPAA. "We've outlined 10 steps that every medical and dental practice should consider, especially those that have not addressed HIPAA compliance since the enactment of HIPAA's Omnibus Rule back in 2013."

A rising number of claims filed under HIPAA in recent years have led many patients to question whether or not their personal payment and health information is safe. As the government has become more aggressive in HIPAA enforcement, large settlements have become widespread and rising penalties for HIPAA non-compliance are a reality.

According to HHS.gov, the types of HIPAA violations investigated most often are:
1) Impermissible uses and disclosures of PHI
2) Lack of safeguards of PHI
3) Lack of patient access to their PHI
4) Lack of administrative safeguards of electronic PHI
5) Use or disclosure of more than the minimum necessary PHI

As cyber security threats remain a paramount concern among many Americans, HIPAA compliance enforcement will likely increase.  In fact, The Department of Health and Human Services' Office for Civil Rights has resumed the random HIPAA compliance audit program for covered entities and their business associates.

Broudy adds, "10 Steps to 'Practical' HIPAA Compliance was created because many practices we speak with don't know where to start.   And for those that don't have the time, but realize the importance of compliance and data protection, we created OfficeSafe, a comprehensive HIPAA compliance portal to help practices quickly complete all '10 Steps' outlined in the white paper."
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