



Health Care, Inc.

Basic Facts about HIPAA

“HIPAA” is an acronym for the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996

HIPAA :

- 1) Is a Federal law that impacts EVERY U. S. citizen
- 2) Seeks to protect the privacy of consumer medical information
- 3) Seeks to simplify administrative billing procedures, saving the health care system billions of dollars in the future
- 4) Seeks tighter security measures to safeguard the privacy of consumer medical information
- 5) Helps employee transfer health insurance benefits, as they change jobs (portability)
- 6) Seeks to improve access to health care and improve the quality of care for individuals and their communities
- 7) Offer consumers more control over their medical records
- 8) Places restrictions on the use of consumer’s medical information for the purposes of marketing and research without the consumer’s authorization
- 9) Involves Cultural and Behavioral Changes in the way we do business to protect the privacy of our consumers