



NHA Webinar

HIPAA vs. SAMHSA: Managing Disclosures When Substance Use Disorders are Involved

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DATE AND TIME

November 29, 2018
12:30 - 2:00 p.m. CT

OVERVIEW

This session focuses on the issues of managing health information when it may involve substance use disorder treatment information. When it comes to information related to the treatment of substance use disorders, regulations of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) under 42 C.F.R. Part 2 prevail. Such information may be difficult to separate from “regular” Protected Health Information PHI in your records, and there are special rules for its disclosure and re-disclosure. With the current epidemic of opioid abuse, there has been a great deal of publicity around the release of information and the necessity to share information with family and friends to facilitate recovery. In this session, we will review the HHS guidance on how to deal with the regulations and learn how it helps explain some rules.

HIPAA allows a number of disclosures without consent that SAMHSA rules prohibit without consent. We will explain how HIPAA and 42 C.F.R. Part 2 are similar and how they're different, and what are the additional considerations when substance use disorder information is involved. We will discuss the latest guidance from HHS and SAMHSA about harmonization of HIPAA and 42 C.F.R. Part 2, as well as recent changes to Part 2 and new legislation affecting the sharing of information for treatment when substance use disorder information is involved. Recent significant changes to the rules and expected changes under new law will also be presented.

TARGET

Compliance officers, privacy and security officers, health information management leadership and staff, information security and patient relations, and staff that are involved in, or responsible for patient and staff communications, information management, and privacy and security of PHI under HIPAA.

OBJECTIVES

- Discuss how HIPAA allows certain communications without consent that require consent under SAMHSA rules (42 C.F.R. Part 2).
- List what kind of services fall under the SAMHSA rules.
- Explain the changes that have been made to 42 C.F.R. Part 2 over the last few years.
- Discuss the issues of data identification in organizations that handle both Part 2 and non-Part 2 data.
- Identify what kind of changes in the rules may be expected in the future to bring HIP AA and 42 C.F.R. Part 2 rules into closer alignment.

FACULTY

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Jim Sheldon-Dean is the founder and director of compliance services at Lewis Creek Systems, LLC. He is a frequent speaker regarding HIPAA, including speaking engagements at numerous national healthcare association conferences and conventions, and the annual NIST/OCR HIPAA Security Conference. Mr. Sheldon-Dean has more than 16 years of experience specializing in HIPAA compliance, more than 34 years of experience in policy analysis and implementation, business process analysis, information systems and software development, and eight years of experience as a Vermont certified volunteer emergency medical technician. Jim has no real or perceived conflicts of interest that relate to this presentation.

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