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HITECH Act Health Data Security & Breach Update

September 9, 2009 – Noon to 1:30 P.M. Central Time

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Health care providers, health plans, health clearinghouses and their business associates (Covered Entities) must comply with the new “Breach Notification For Unsecured Protected Health Information” regulation (Breach Regulation) by September 24, 2009.

Catch up on what the Breach Rule means for your organization and how it must respond by participating in the **“HITECH Act Health Data Security & Breach Update”** on Wednesday, September 9, 2009 from Noon to 1:30 P.M. Central Time for a registration fee of \$45.00. Registrants will have the option to participate via teleconference or in person at the offices of Curran Tomko Tarski LLP, 2001 Bryan Street, Suite 2050, Dallas Texas 75201. Click [here](#) to register. For information about registering for this program or other questions [here](#).

The Breach Rule requires Covered Entities to notify affected individuals following a “breach” of “unsecured” protected health information. Just published August 24th, the Breach Regulation is part of a series of guidance that HHS is issuing to implement new and stricter personal health information privacy and data security requirements for Covered Entities added to HIPAA under the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH) Act signed into law on February 17, 2009 as part of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA).

The briefing will cover:

- ✓ Who must comply
- ✓ What your organization must do
- ✓ How to qualify protected health information as exempt from the breach regulations as “secure” protected health information
- ✓ What is considered a breach of unsecured protected health information
- ✓ What steps must a covered entity take if a breach of unsecured protected information happens
- ✓ What liabilities do covered entities face for non-compliance
- ✓ What new contractual requirements, policies and procedures Covered Entities and Business Associates will need
- ✓ How the Breach Regulation, the Privacy Regulation, impending FTC red flag rules and state data breach and privacy rules interrelate
- ✓ Other recent developments
- ✓ Practical tips for assessing, planning, moving to and defending compliance
- ✓ Participant questions
- ✓ More

About The Presenter

The program will be presented by Curran Tomko and Tarski LLP Health Care & Employment Practice Leader and Partner Cynthia Marcotte Stamer. Ms. Stamer is nationally known for her work, publications and presentations on privacy and security of health and other sensitive information in health and managed care, employment, employee benefits, financial services, education and other contexts. Current Chair of the ABA RPTE Employee Benefit & Other Compensation Committee, Vice President of the North Texas Health Care Compliance Professionals Association, Past Chair of the ABA Health Law Section Managed Care & Insurance Section and the former Board Compliance Chair of the National Kidney Foundation of North Texas, Ms. Stamer has more than 20 years experience advising clients about health and other privacy and security matters for health care providers, health plans and employers. A popular lecturer and widely published author on privacy and data security and other related health care and health plan matters, Ms. Stamer is the Editor in Chief of the forthcoming 2010 edition of the Information Security Guide to be published by the American Bar Association Information Security Committee in 2010, as well as the author of “Protecting & Using Patient Data In Disease Management: Opportunities, Liabilities And Prescriptions,” “Privacy Invasions of Medical Care-An Emerging Perspective,” “Cybercrime and Identity Theft: Health Information Security Beyond HIPAA,” and a host of other highly regarded publications. She has continuously advises employers, health care providers, health insurers and administrators, health plan sponsors, employee benefit plan fiduciaries, schools, financial services providers, governments and others about privacy and data security, health care, insurance, human resources, technology, and other legal and operational concerns. Ms. Stamer also publishes and speaks extensively on health and managed care industry privacy, data security and other technology, regulatory and operational risk management matters. Her insights on health care, health insurance, human resources and related matters appear in the Atlantic Information Service, Bureau of National Affairs, World At Work, The Wall Street Journal, Business Insurance, the Dallas Morning News, Managed Healthcare, Health Leaders, and a many other national and local publications. For additional information about Ms. Stamer, her experience, involvements, programs or publications, see [here](#).

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