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Attend 2015 HIPAA Rx

Please save the dates of Tuesday, April 28th, 2015 in Oklahoma City and Wednesday, April 29th, 2015 in Tulsa for HIPAA Rx, hosted by PLICO and presented by Cori H. Loomis of Crowe & Dunlevy, PC.

As healthcare providers are facing increasing challenges and exposures to liability for non-compliance with HIPAA Privacy and Security Rules, we will be discussing recent developments such as negligence lawsuits based on HIPAA violations, large-scale breaches and the resumption of regulatory audits.

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HIPAA Q&A with Cori Loomis

Cori Loomis, the presenter of HIPAA Rx, has provided answers to a couple of the questions we get asked most frequently.

Q: Are there any physicians or groups exempted from HIPAA privacy and security requirements?

A: The HIPAA rules apply to health care providers (doctors, clinics, hospitals, pharmacies, etc.), but only if the provider transmits information in an electronic form in connection with a transaction for which the Department of Health and Human Services has adopted a standard. For example, if a provider submits claims and encounters information to payers electronically, then the provider is a covered entity subject to HIPAA.

This means that physicians and other providers that do not conduct any electronic transactions may not be subject to penalty by the Office of Civil Rights, which is the government agency charged with HIPAA enforcement. However, HIPAA has become incorporated into the standard of care.

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New Year, New Opportunities

Beginning January 1, PLICO unveiled several new benefits for our policyholders. Among these were a new policy specifically designed for physicians serving in medical directorships or providing consulting or administrative services, as well as, a significant set of enhancements to PLICO Protect+, PLICO's Cyber Liability and Medical Billing E&O policy.

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