HIPAA Implementation Case Studies: Medical Transcription

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Why dictation and transcription?

 Impact of dictation and transcription on healthcare documentation

Common scenarios

The Invisible MT Market

SizeDiverse environments

Business Associate vs. Clearinghouse

How to determine where you fit
What to do if you are a business associate
What if you are a clearinghouse?

De-identified Information

Is there such a thing?
Can it be applied to dictation and transcription?

Delivery of Transcribed Documents

In-house scenarios
Common physician office practices
Delivery by courier
Electronic delivery

Storage and Retrieval

- How are your records stored?
- Where are records stored?
- Who has access?
- If an outside business, how long does the business keep the record before deleting it, or does the business delete it at all?

Minimum Necessary vs. Reasonable

In the world of dictation and transcription, what is the minimum necessary and what is reasonable?

Contracts

- Full disclosure
- Hold harmless
- Indemnification
- Can medical transcription be done offshore?

How to Reduce Your Risk

- Know the MT business
- Choose your business associates carefully
- Require full disclosure from MT businesses
- Consider requesting a site visit
- Be prepared to negotiate with MT businesses
- Partner with MTs to provide solutions to implementation

Questions?

Thank you!

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