

PURPOSE

To designate health care components of the Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) that are covered by the HIPAA privacy regulations.

POLICY

MDHHS has components within its organizational structure that perform functions that are covered by the HIPAA privacy regulations, and components that perform functions that are not covered by the HIPAA privacy regulations. As allowed by the HIPAA privacy regulations, MDHHS has designated itself as a hybrid entity.

MDHHS - as a hybrid entity - is required to identify its components that perform covered functions (covered components) and its components that do not perform covered functions (non-covered components). It is the policy of MDHHS that its covered components comply with the HIPAA privacy regulations and privacy MDHHS's policies and procedures.

REFERENCES

45 CFR §164.103 (Definition Hybrid Entity), 45 CFR §164.105(a).

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