

Cornerstone Computer Solutions Teams with PCIHIPAA To Help Clients Comply with Evolving HIPAA Requirements

Cornerstone and PCIHIPAA Will Help Healthcare Providers Quickly Uncover Key Vulnerabilities and Corrective Actions to Comply With HIPAA Requirements

DENVER, COLORADO, USA, January 4, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Cornerstone Computer Solutions (Cornerstone) is partnering with PCIHIPAA to help streamline HIPAA compliance for its clients. Under HIPAA's Security and Privacy Rules, healthcare providers are required to take proactive steps to protect sensitive patient information. The partnership comes on the heels of an important announcement surrounding HIPAA compliance regulation. The U.S.



Department of Health and Human Services' Office for Civil Rights recently announced that random HIPAA audits are expected to continue throughout 2018. In addition, the rising number of patient privacy claims, and ransomware attacks on medical and dental practices, have escalated the importance of compliance and patient data protection.

"Data security is a top concern for doctors and their patients, which is why Cornerstone chose to partner with PCIHIPAA. Our physicians want to focus on caring for patients, not navigating complex compliance issues. We vetted many providers and believe PCIHIPAA's <u>OfficeSafe</u> Compliance Program is the right solution for our clients. PCIHIPAA understands how to work with our client base, and our partnership will quickly mitigate risks associated with HIPAA compliance and overall data breach protection," said Jordan Janz, CEO of Cornerstone.

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, OCR has received over 150,000 HIPAA complaints following the issuance of the Privacy Rule in April 2003. A rising number of claims filed under HIPAA in recent years have led many patients to question whether or not their personal payment and health information is safe. As the government has become more aggressive in HIPAA enforcement, large settlements have become widespread and rising penalties for HIPAA noncompliance are a reality.

According to HHS.gov, the types of HIPAA violations most often identified are:

- 1) Impermissible uses and disclosures of protected health information (PHI)
- 2) Lack of technology safeguards of PHI
- 3) Lack of adequate contingency planning in case of a data breach or ransomware attack
- 4) Lack of administrative safeguards of PHI
- 5) Lack of a mandatory HIPAA risk assessment
- 6) Lack of executed Business Associate Agreements
- 7) Lack of employee training and updated policies and procedures

"We are excited and honored to be working with Cornerstone. They have been providing comprehensive technology solutions for dental, medical, & veterinary practices in the greater Rocky Mountain region for over a decade." said Jeff Broudy CEO of PCIHIPAA. "Our mission is to help

medical and dental practices easily and affordably navigate HIPAA requirements and provide the solutions they need to protect their practices. The partnership with Cornerstone is a perfect fit." adds Broudy.

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About Cornerstone Computer Solutions

Cornerstone was formed in 2005 in a tiny Denver office serving the city's technology needs. Since then, we've grown to a six state region in the Rocky Mountain area specializing in healthcare verticals. But we always keep our small company roots close so that our clients can know that we'll take care of them like a part of the family. Learn more at www.cstonesolutions.net

About PCIHIPAA

PCIHIPAA is an industry leader in PCI and HIPAA compliance providing turnkey, convenient solutions for its clients. Delivering primary security products to mitigate the liabilities facing dentists and doctors, PCIHIPAA removes the complexities of financial and legal compliance to PCI and HIPAA regulations to ensure that health and dental practices are educated about what HIPAA laws require and how to remain in full compliance. Learn more at OfficeSafe.com and PCIHIPAA.com.

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