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- **Website** – **http://www.cms.hhs.gov/hipaa/hipaa2/default.asp** - Answers to Frequently Asked Questions, links to other HIPAA sites, and information on the law, regulations, and enforcement are located here.

- **Small Provider Checklist Tool** – **http://www.cms.hhs.gov/hipaa/hipaa2/support/tools/decisionsupport/default.asp.** Use this tool to help determine what you should be doing to become HIPAA compliant.

- **Covered Entity Decision Tool** - **http://www.cms.hhs.gov/hipaa/hipaa2/support/tools/decisionsupport/default.asp.** Use this tool to help determine if you are a "covered entity" under HIPAA.

- **FREE HIPAA Roundtable Conference Call** – This is a good source of information and a forum to get answers to your questions on HIPAA Administrative Simplification. Our next call is scheduled for February 28, 2003 from 2-3:30 EST. The call in number is **1-877-381-6315**. The conference identification number is **8096358**. Check our website for future call information.

- **FREE Video** – CMS' *Meeting the HIPAA Challenge: Implementing the Administrative Simplifications of HIPAA*. For free video, e-mail your request to **AskHipaa@cms.hhs.gov** or call **1-866-282-0659**. Stay tuned to our website for information on our new video, which is in the works.

- **FREE Listserve** – **http://aspe.hhs.gov/admnsimp/lsnotify.htm** - Sign up to receive notification when proposed or final rules on HIPAA have been published in the Federal Register (The Federal Register is the place where the government, upon passing a law, tells the public how the law will be implemented).

- **CMS Medicaid HIPAA web address** - **http://www.cms.hhs.gov/medicaid/hipaa/adminsim/**

- **Medicare free / low cost billing software** – **http://cms.hhs.gov/providers/edi/** - If you bill Medicare, there is software available to you free or for a small charge. This software is designed only for Medicare claims. Check the above link for the appropriate contact in your state for more information.

- **White Paper**: *AM I A COVERED ENTITY PROVIDER?* **http://www.wedi.org/snip/public/articles/coveredEntitiy.pdf**

- **White Paper**: *HOW HIPAA IS RESHAPING THE WAY WE DO BUSINESS* **http://www.wedi.org/snip/public/articles/centMedicarencaid.pdf**

Contact info for CMS

- **CMS E-Mail box** – **askhipaa@cms.hhs.gov.** Send HIPAA administrative simplification questions here.

- **CMS HIPAA Hotline –1-866-282-0659 –**This hotline has been established to help answer your HIPAA administrative simplification questions.

Other Resources

- **HHS Website for HIPAA - http://aspe.hhs.gov/admnsimp/**

- **HHS' Office for Civil Rights (Privacy)**– **http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/hipaa/** - The U.S. Department of Health & Human Services' Office for Civil Rights oversees the privacy requirements.

  - Model "Business Associate Agreement" at **http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/hipaa/contractprov.html**

  - "Guidance Explaining Significant Aspects of the Privacy Rule" at **http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/hipaa/privacy.html.**

  - Privacy-related questions should be directed to **OCRPrivacy@hhs.gov** or call **1-866-627-7748.**

- **WEDI SNIP Website** - **http://www.wedi.org/snip/** - WEDI is an organization working to foster widespread support for the adoption of electronic commerce within healthcare and SNIP is a collaborative healthcare industry-wide process resulting in the implementation of standards and furthering the development and implementation of future standards. This website contains various resources on HIPAA administrative simplification.

  - Materials from CMS HIPAA Workshop for Small / Rural Health Care Providers - **http://www.wedi.org/snip/public/articles/details%7E56.htm**