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Situational ePHI Awareness™ for Reducing Risk and Aligning with 405d Healthcare Industry Cybersecurity Practices (HICP) Large-scale information sharing is being accelerated by government policies and the rapid shift towards distributed care. Delivering on the promise of the 2009 HITECH (Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health) Act, key provisions of the 21st Century Cures Act require providers, patients, payers, public health practitioners, technology developers, researchers, and other stakeholders to share ePHI.

- April 2021: Deadline for sharing of Consultation Note, Discharge Summary Note, History and Physical, Imaging Narrative, Laboratory Report Narrative, Pathology Report Narrative, Procedure Note, Progress Note
- October 2022: Deadline for expanding definition of EHI beyond USCDI
- December 2022: Deadline for use of standardized FHIR APIs for interoperability

Providers and patients need the freedom to share electronic health information (ePHI) in a compliant manner, inside or outside of the organization. As we realize the benefits that large-scale exchange of information have on improving patient outcomes and increasing efficiency of care, we also know that sharing ePHI between providers, patients, third parties and applications introduces greater and unfamiliar security risks.

Traditional cybersecurity was not designed to secure ePHI and clinical workflows at the edge of today's decentralized, virtual healthcare ecosystem. To help reduce risk, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) established the <u>405(d) Health Industry Cybersecurity Practices (HICP) Guide</u>, which aligns with the National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST) Cybersecurity Framework (CSF) and identifies ten fundamental cyber hygiene practices that are tailored to small, medium, and large organizations.



405(d) Healthcare Industry Cybersecurity Practices (HICP)

With the passing of <u>Public Law 116-321</u> (HR 7898), also known as the Safe Harbor Act, in early 2021, Congress underscored the importance and value of 405d HICP by requiring the Secretary of Health and Human Services to consider it among the recognized security practices of covered entities and business associates when determining fines and penalties related to a breach of protected health information. Evidence that recognized security practices have been in place may be requested in regulatory inquiries and investigations. Additionally, alignment with 405(d) HICP can result in lower cyber insurance premiums, compliance with incident reporting regulations, simplified internal/external audits, and expedited cyber incident mitigation.



Validating cyber preparedness requires Situational ePHI Awareness



Today's distributed healthcare delivery model relies on ePHI outside of the electronic medical record (EMR). To provide the level of security required to support the information-sharing demands of patients, providers and government regulations, one consolidated, real-time view into structured and unstructured data that is being created, received, maintained and transmitted between providers, patients, third parties and applications is required. The old model of layering multiple solutions designed to lock data down is cost-prohibitive, onerous, and ineffective. It's time to replace outdated, cross-industry technologies with a modern solution developed using leading-edge IoT and Natural Language Processing (NLP)/ Machine Learning (ML) to detect, classify and protect ePHI wherever it exists in today's information-sharing age. It's time for Situational ePHI Awareness.

Designed and built by healthcare experts, specifically for the modern healthcare ecosystem, Tausight provides real-time situational awareness across all endpoints, inside and outside of the organization to detect ePHI and determine whether they are being secured and defended as per the 405(d) HICP. Our ML-native, SaaS system provides 24x7 telemetry on the creation, access, storage, movement and replication of all ePHI, and produces actionable reports on security posture in alignment with HICP. Tausight's patented sensor monitor:

- Endpoint Protection
- Data Protection and Loss Prevention
- Identity and Access Management
- IT Asset Management
- Security Operations Center and Incident Response
- Vulnerability Management

Tausight data reports help IT, Security, Privacy and Compliance teams to measure and validate their cyber hygiene and security posture in real-time. They also provide an immutable, off-site audit trail with forensic-level details across all endpoints; before, during and after a cyber incident, including the information needed to quickly reconstitute the system and reconstruct any incident. This replaces the labor-intensive burden of manually constructing and reporting on limited sets of data activity with a self-service dashboard for comprehensive visibility into vulnerabilities and risk of ePHI at the edge.



405d HICP Snapshot Example Reports – Burlington General Hospital

The following example reports are based on the cyber preparedness of fictitious Burlington General Hospital and are designed to offer a view of the type of data that Tausight's patented sensor collects and the format in which that information is presented. The following is not a comprehensive set of the 405d HICP that Tausight supports, and it is just a sampling of the many reports that our Situational ePHI Awareness Platform generates.



45 Users

22.2% of total

- 4 from last week

Audit location of external movement

See files emailed externally, moved to removable media, and moved to cloud in real-time

Top Users Moving ePHI Files Outside of the Organization

Week Ending 10/31/21

User Moving the most ePHI Files	#of ePHI ↑ Files	w/ High PII	Total Size of Files	
nle	86	35	273 MB	
hcong	79	20	155 MB	
cokhwa	74	38	189 MB	
syoomee	72	27	200 MB	
sraikatuji	65	34	130 MB	
citami	63	41	70 MB	
stakizawa	60	4	102 MB	
akanmani	59	25	67 MB	
qcisse	43	22	62 MB	
kconte	40	19	55 MB	

Baseline comparison: <TBD>

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ePHI movement to removable media

See number of ePHI files moved to removable media for a given week as compared to the previous week

Considerations around movement of ePHI to USB:

- Are users authorized to move ePHI to USB according to organizational policies?
- Are users only using approved USB devices for the transfer of ePHI?
- Does the volume of activity stand out as very different from their peers?

Top Users Moving ePHI to Removable Media Week Ending 10/31/21



31 Users 3.1% of total - 2 from last week

User	Device	ePHI ↑ Files	Total Size
jdunn	USB 3.0 (SanDisk)	60	50 MB
acurtis	USB 2.0 (SanDisk)	54	41 MB
bwood	USB 3.0 (PhotoStick)	50	25 MB
atamer	USB 3.1 (Apricorn)	10	5 MB
hsalam	USB 3.0 (SanDisk)	8	310 KB
mjohnson	USB 2.0 (SD Ultra)	8	290 KB
sberg	USB 3.1 (Apricorn)	2	281 KB
rkim	USB 2.0 (SanDisk)	2	199 KB
jmorris	USB 3.0 (SanDisk)	2	190 KB
pkozlov	USB 2.0 (Apricorn)	2	85 KB

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Endpoint Protection Systems

Audit endpoint encryption

See where ePHI lives on local drives and whether or not they are encrypted with BitLocker.

Recommendation:

For each device that handles ePHI, do one of the following, listed In order of preference:

- **01** Turn on full drive encryption (e.g., MS Windows bitlocker or Apple filevault)
- 02 Install a drive encryption solution
- **03** Secure the device, either by using cable locks or keeping the device in a locked room.

Goal is to have 99% of devices with encryption.

Baseline comparison: <TBD>

Encryption Status	99%	91%	849	%
Month Ending 4/29/22	Endpoints Encrypted	Volumes Encrypted	of All* eP Encry	PHI Files
	+ 1% from last week	+ 3% from last week	- 6% from la	ast week
All Unencrypted En	dpoints			
Endpoint with ePHI		ePHI ↑ Files	w/ High PII	Total Size of ePHI
JillsLaptop		34	14	25 MB
Laptop_FD0943		28	6	12 KB
Laptop_FRR101		26	10	6 KB
Laptop_CLI864		20	5	15 MB
Desktop_FD05438		18	6	35 MB
Desktop_CLI2007		14	11	3 MB
Laptop_FRR2129		14	3	2 MB
SanjaysLaptop		12	4	5 MB
Laptop_FRR8342		11	3	1 MB
Laptop_FDO1003		9	2	4 MB

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Endpoints Meeting All Patch Requirments Monthly

BURLINGTON HOSPITAL

100 % Endpoints Meeting All Patch Requirements 75 50 25 0 Aug Oct Feb Sep Dec Mar Nov Jan 2021 2021 2021 2021 2021 2022 2022 2022 **Month Beginning**

Endpoint Protection Systems

Endpoint OS patch assessment

Understand which endpoints have gone unpatched for greater than 30 days on a monthly basis by comparing to common patches across your system

Recommendation:

- Identify the most vulnerable systems those that have been unpatched the longest and contain the most ePHI – and apply updates ASAP.
- Identify systems that are not patched, perhaps because they were not rebooted, and work to ensure updates are applied regularly.
- Utilize these patching metrics to:
 - Monitor progress and identify risks
 - Provide real-time updates to the Board
 - Reduce cyber insurance rates
 - Validate "12 months of cybersecurity best practices" post breach, as noted in HR 7898 to qualify for reduced fines and shorter audits

Baseline comparison: <TBD>





18 Apps

1.5% of total

- 0.6% from last month

Endpoint Protection Systems

Low usage applications

Identify applications that are under-used and determine whether they need continued support or should be decommissioned

Recommendation:

Remove unused applications after confirming they are no longer needed. Such applications increase the "attack surface" and introduce risk.

Baseline comparison: **<TBD>**

Lost / Stolen Laptop Report

WIN-DEV-108

Last Seen: 2/22/22 Last Network Name (SSID): CUPOFJOE-WIFI

ePHI Files on this Machine

Total Files: 371 (1.6 GB)

As of Oct. 31, 2021

(by endpoint instances)

Applications Unused for Over 30 Days

Limiting the number of applications that have access to ePHI is important in reducing the ePHI attack surface of your system. Removing any unused applications...

Total Apps Unused for 60 days	18
Total Apps Unused for 90 days	7

Unused Applications that Access ePHI	Endpoint ↑ Instances	Days Since Last Used
am_delta.exe v1.19.1	150	104
identity_helper.exe v20.1.76	144	65
hxtsr.exe v101.2865	120	87
steamengn.exe v19.12.37	120	156
anysearch.exe v4.11	111	68
bugsmash.exe v44.74.11	103	77
ufoclient.exe v9.1.39	99	102
maxcleanup.exe v16.90.112	84	93
cmdbash.exe v9009.2.38	83	61
specreducer.exe v7.0.12.8	60	70

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ePHI Files on this Machine as of 2/22/22

Users accessed this machine since 1/1/22: Jay Reams, Bob Finch Last move of ePHI off Machine: 27 MB to removable media

File Name **PII Density** File Size File Path Last User Accessed Date Accessed LabResult.doc High 5 MB c:\users\documents\labs Jay Reams 2/22/22 NightShift.doc 2/22/22 High 1 MB c:\desktop\...\shifts Jay Reams Rotation.txt High 3 MB c:\programdata\evernote Jay Reams 2/10/22 RotationJan22.txt High 111 KB c:\jreams\...\myfiles Jay Reams 2/10/22 Patient_Notes.txt High 11 KB c:\bfinch\...\myfiles **Bob Finch** 2/1/22

View Full List of 330 Files





The 405(d) HICP provide healthcare organizations of all sizes with a solid foundation for managing threats and protecting patients. Demonstrating alignment with these practices not only validates your organization's cyber preparedness, it can lower cyber insurance premiums, simplify compliance, streamline auditing and incident mitigation.

To Learn More Visit: <u>www.tausight.com</u>



Interested in validating your organization's cyber preparedness and alignment with 405(d) HICP?

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2022 Critical Insights Healthcare Data Breach Report on Cybersecurity report, which analyzes breach data reported to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) by healthcare organizations.