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Grass Technologies HIPAA Compliance Statement

The Administrative Simplification provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA, Title II) require the Department of Health and Human Services to establish national standards for electronic health care transactions and national identifiers for providers, health plans, and employers. It also addresses the security and privacy of health data. Adopting these standards will improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the nation's health care system by encouraging the widespread use of electronic data interchange in health care.

Grass Technologies' systems are HIPAA ready and enable a healthcare provider or other covered entity to meet and maintain the need for confidentiality, privacy and security as required by the HIPAA regulations. The Microsoft® Windows 2000/XP platform supplies the foundation for security and administration functionality and the technologies needed to construct a secure technical environment.

The following are some examples Grass Technologies can do to help make your systems HIPAA compliant:

1. Implement user level auditing
2. Implement application level auditing
3. File tracking auditing
4. Auditing of the following events
 - a. Audit account logon events
 - b. Audit account management
 - c. Audit directory services access
 - d. Audit logon events
 - e. Audit object access
 - f. Audit policy change
 - g. Audit privilege use
 - h. Audit process tracking
 - i. Audit system events
5. Passwords must meet complexity requirements
6. Minimum password length of 8 characters
7. Maximum password age of 3 months
8. Account lockout after 5 invalid attempts
9. Only administrators allowed to logon locally
10. Hard drives are formatted to NTFS

Grass Technologies is committed to partnering with our customers to ensure they are HIPAA compliant. Our organization is involved in helping you with the necessary information for the technical and administrative safeguards that are put in place to protect the integrity, availability and confidentiality of patient information.