



2025 Fire Rescue Encryption Risk Assessment

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In accordance with the Department of Health and Human Services' HIPAA Security Rule, CFR 164.308(a)(1), an encryption risk assessment was conducted to determine whether the County's encryption methods are adequate to protect electronic protected health information (ePHI) from unauthorized access.

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The last pages of the report include management's plans to address opportunities for improvement. I can provide answers regarding observations, but please direct questions or concerns about remediation and timelines to John Simpson, the County's HIPAA Privacy Official, Erikk Ross, Jennifer Barker, Tommy Carpenter, and David Kilbury.

We appreciate the invaluable assistance provided by John Simpson and Erikk Ross during the review.

Respectfully submitted,

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