

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)

HIPAA Law The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) includes provisions related to insurance, privacy, security, transactions and code sets.

The Administrative Simplification Compliance Act (ASCA) amended the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and required that all claims submitted to Medicare on October 16, 2003 and beyond be done so electronically except for certain circumstances.

Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) Administrative Simplification provisions build upon the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) with new and expanded provisions, including a requirement to adopt operating rules for each of the HIPAA transactions; a unique, standard Health Plan Identifier; and standards for electronic funds transfer (EFT) and electronic health care claims attachments. The Affordable Care Act requires that health plans certify their compliance with the standards and operating rules, and provides penalties for noncompliance.