

Security Risk Analysis (SRA)

Why Should I Assess the Security of My Medical Practice?

- Conducting an accurate and thorough security risk analysis is required under MACRA/MIPS, Promoting Interoperability/Meaningful Use, and HIPAA.
- Risks that are not identified and addressed can result in breaches, leading to patient harm, financial costs, and bad publicity.
- With constantly changing technology, emerging threats, and newly discovered vulnerabilities on a daily basis, security today is more challenging than ever before.
- Security in healthcare is in “critical condition” and needs to be improved at all levels, according to a recent U.S. government report.¹
- 81% of patients are concerned about privacy and security, according to survey data, and many are willing to choose or change providers based on security.²
- Your patients are trusting you with their most personal data. Knowledge of your security posture is the first, essential step to keeping their trust, and their legally protected information, secure!

Be Aware of Your Practice’s Security with a Security Risk Analysis

What is a Security Risk Analysis?

Security Risk Analysis is not only required under federal law, it is a critical step in ensuring patient safety and a valuable business investment. An accurate and thorough risk analysis critically examines threats and vulnerabilities facing an organizations’ patient health information. It includes a complete look at how effectively this legally protected data is secured by the organization. Healthcare organizations that neglect to perform this task are putting their patients at risk and often fail federal compliance audits.

How We Can Help



Start building confidence with your patient base by ensuring their electronic information is protected. A member of the Altarum Quality Improvement Advisory Services (QIAS) Security Risk Analysis team will analyze the risks facing your practice, provide recommendations

to improve security as well as the tools necessary to strengthen identified areas of weakness. Our Security Risk Analysis service includes:

- A comprehensive appraisal of your health care organization’s information security practices.
- A dedicated Security Consultant to assess your security posture and provide recommendations.
- A summary report listing identified risks and a detailed corrective action plan to remediate risk.
- A security tool kit to assist with administration, staff education, and ongoing security maintenance.
- A set of information security policy and procedure templates based on HIPAA security requirements and industry best practices.



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¹ “Report on Improving Cybersecurity in the Healthcare Industry.” *Health Care Industry Cybersecurity Task Force*, June 2017.

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