

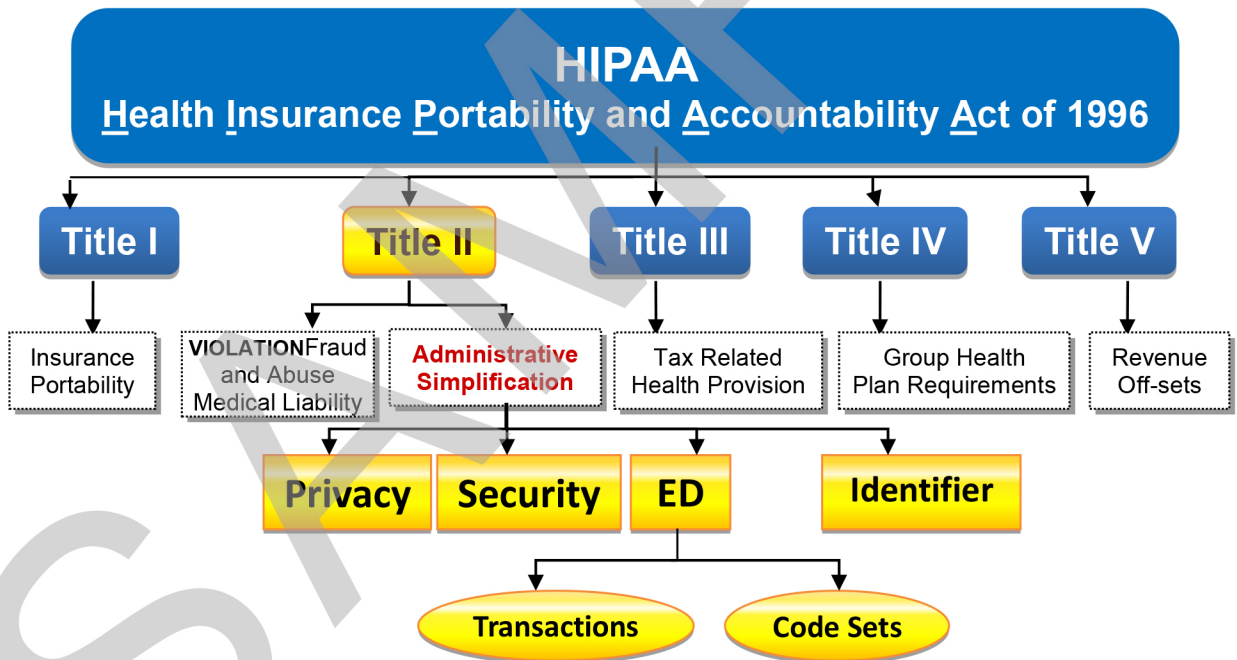
HIPAA

Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act Quick Reference Card

Introduction

HIPAA is an acronym used as a “short title” for the bill, Public Law 104 -191. The full version is called the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996. You may also hear it referred to as the Kennedy-Kassebaum bill. The purpose of HIPAA includes:

1. To improve portability and continuity of health insurance coverage in the group and individual markets.
2. To combat waste, fraud, and abuse in health insurance and healthcare delivery.
3. To promote the use of medical savings accounts.
4. To improve access to long-term care services and coverage.
5. To simplify the administration of health insurance.



HIPAA includes five Titles. These are:

- Title I – Healthcare Access, Portability, and Renew Ability
- Title II – Preventing Healthcare Fraud and Abuse, ADMINISTRATIVE SIMPLIFICATION, Medical Liability Reform
- Title III – Tax-Related Health Provisions
- Title IV – Application and Enforcement of Group Health Plan Requirements
- Title V – Revenue Offsets