

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

RESOLUTION NO. 03-006

Approving Designation of County as a ‘Hybrid Covered Entity’ for Purposes of HIPAA Compliance

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. The 1996 Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), and implementing regulations, impose a variety of requirements on public and private entities to protect the privacy of individually identifiable health information.
- b. A number of county departments, divisions or programs handle individually identifiable health information and must comply with HIPAA requirements. A number of county departments, divisions and programs fall outside HIPAA’s scope.
- c. To develop and implement a compliance plan, the County must designate in writing which County functions are within HIPAA’s scope and which are not.
- d. The County has determined that it should be designated a “hybrid covered entity” for purposes of HIPAA implementation.
- e. The Department of Community and Business Services, through its HIPAA Coordinator, has developed an organizational chart (Attachment A) setting forth those departments, divisions and functions that would be considered “health care components” under HIPAA and therefore are part of the County “hybrid covered entity.”
- f. Amendments to the “covered hybrid entity” organizational chart will be needed from time to time as realignments occur within the county structure.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Resolves:

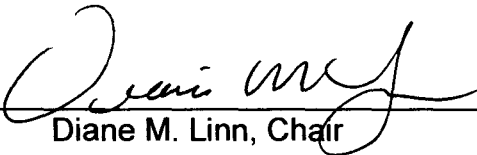
1. Multnomah County is designated as a “hybrid covered entity” for purposes of HIPAA compliance.
2. The organizational chart presented in Attachment A is adopted as the operating model for purposes of HIPAA compliance.

3. The Director of the Department of Community and Business Services is authorized to amend the organizational chart as required over time to maintain ongoing HIPAA compliance.

ADOPTED this 9th day of January, 2003.




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Diane M. Linn, Chair

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Attachment A

