

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

RESOLUTION NO. 05-083

Amending Resolution No. 03-006 to Remove County Auditor as a Covered Component for Purposes of HIPAA Compliance

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. On January 9, 2003, by Resolution 03-006, the Board approved designation of the county as a hybrid covered entity and adopted an organizational chart for purposes of HIPAA compliance.
- b. Under the County Charter, the Auditor is an elected official who conducts performance audits of all county operations and financial affairs and reports to the Board.
- c. It is important to the performance of the auditing function that the Auditor be independent of all other county departments and elected officials.
- d. Although the Auditor may from time to time require access to information that is protected by HIPAA to perform the required auditing function, the Office and the appropriate Department will work together to ensure compliance with HIPAA.
- e. Therefore, the Auditor's Office is not a covered component of the County Hybrid Covered Entity for purposes of HIPAA compliance.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Resolves:

1. Resolution No. 03-006 is amended to remove the County Auditor as a covered component of the County Hybrid Covered Entity for purposes of HIPAA compliance.
2. The Director of the Department of Business and Community Services is directed to amend the "hybrid covered entity" organizational chart to remove the County Auditor as a covered component.

ADOPTED this 26th day of May, 2005.



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Diane M. Linn, Chair

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