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Meaningful Use Requirement for HIPAA Security Risk Assessment

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The Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (HITECH), set forth by Title XIII of the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009 (ARRA), not only defined requirements for meaningful use of electronic health records but also set forth numerous modifications and enhancements to the Health Information Portability and Accountability (HIPAA) information security and privacy standards. [Read More](#)

Project Spotlight

In January 2011, DIVURGENT was engaged by a large multi-site teaching organization. Comprised of 12 hospitals/hospital partners, employing more than 13,000 employees, 900 physicians and scientists, DIVURGENT provided Testing Manager Services directing all testing activities related to the GE Centricity Business (GECB) implementation. GECB is being implemented to replace the aging Siemens Signature systems. At the engagement's commencement, a number of opportunities existed including:

- System build decisions and associated workflow development were still underway
- System application build activities were still underway
- Minimal unit testing and proper documentation had been completed
- Partial integration testing had been planned for and conducted with limited results
- Simulation testing plan and scheduling required full development

To successfully manage the testing situation and ensure the client's success we rapidly developed a revised testing approach and plan leveraging existing test scripts and testing

conditions. This supplemented the initial integration testing conducted on a partial system build platform.

The final round of testing involved more than 100 people, organization wide facilities and departments, and ran for two continuous weeks, including weekends allowing for a more future state simulation. A very deliberate and methodical approach was undertaken – stopping as each on-line transaction was completed to validate interface transactions in all affected downstream systems. Similarly, on a daily basis the team validated each financial transaction and billing activity to verify the expected charge amount or billing activity produced as expected. Any variance identified was followed up with a root cause analysis to ascertain the variance.

[Read the full case study.](#)

Here We Grow Again, *Partner Edition*

As we continue to grow, we continue to develop strategic partnerships with related healthcare industry organizations to support our consulting services. Our most recent alliance is our partnership with [CAP STS](#), a division of the College of American Pathologists.



CAP STS is a leader in the pursuit of semantic interoperability and clinically accurate electronic health records (EHRs) to improve patient care, and provide the data needed for quality and performance measurement. CAP STS offers collaborative consulting, strategic planning, and data services to help clients evaluate their options and implement health information standards. CAP STS provides information strategy, data standardization and terminology integration services that help optimize client information capabilities.

With this alignment, our partnership will strengthen our Advisory, Clinical and Revenue Cycle services. Our immediate goals will be to focus on initiatives related to:

- Clinical transformation support
- ICD-10 assessment, training and mitigation planning
- ACO strategy

We are actively pursuing multiple ICD-10 engagements and have developed a refined methodology and associated tool set to best utilize both organization's strengths in delivering an effective ICD-10 solution.

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