HIPPA Guidelines

How often is HIPAA training required?

According to the Security Rule, HIPAA training is required periodically. Most covered entities meet this requirement by holding annual training sessions. Annual training helps to protect the employer and employees by ensuring employees are:

* “Refreshed” on HIPAA regulations
* Aware of any policy changes that may have occurred since their last training session
* Knowledgeable about cybercrime and ways to protect against it

While annual training is sufficient to meet HIPAA’s periodic requirements, holding additional training sessions throughout the year is not a bad idea. These other sessions can be shorter and provide quick info to reinforce employee’s knowledge and compliance with HIPAA.

NOTE: There is no date by which new volunteers/staff are required to have completed the HIPPA training but within a couple of months have hiring seems to be allowed. See the website for more information.

OSHA has a self-guided on-line training course on this website.

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