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Survey: Leadership engagement biggest jeopardy to healthcare compliance

In a May 1, 2019 press release, SAI Global announced the results of its 10th Annual Healthcare Compliance Benchmark Report. The commissioned survey, conducted on behalf of SAI Global by Strategic Management Services, LLC, released the findings, noting, “...amid concerns about lack of automation, the growing strain on department resources, cybersecurity and rising regulatory demands, the biggest challenge facing healthcare compliance professionals this year is the need for realignment among leadership to focus, engage, and support the compliance function.” For this survey Strategic Management Services surveyed 419 healthcare compliance professionals across a wide spectrum of US provider and managed care organizations.

Among the survey key findings, are:

- 77% of healthcare compliance officers now have responsibility for HIPAA privacy, with about 40% for risk management.
- Compliance offices remain lean; with 65% having 5 or fewer staff, and 30% having only 1 full- or part-time person.
- Only 1 out of 5 organizations reported using tools to automate key compliance processes.
- Only 29% of recipients have their compliance program independently measured for effectiveness.

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