

## Compliance Today - January 2021 HHS enforces patients' right to access medical records

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The Office for Civil Rights (OCR) at the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) has been vigorously enforcing patients' right to access their medical records under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). [1] According to an October 9 notice, the OCR has settled nine such investigations in its HIPAA Right of Access Initiative. [2]

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