

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF  
ATCHISON COUNTY, KANSAS

RESOLUTION 03- 1227

A RESOLUTION TO IDENTIFY ATCHISON COUNTY AS A HYBRID ENTITY UNDER THE TERMS OF THE HEALTH INFORMATION PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT (HIPAA) AND TO DESIGNATE A PRIVACY OFFICER FOR THE COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Federal Congress has implemented the Health Information Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA); and

WHEREAS, the Department of Health and Human Services has implemented rules and regulations outlining how HIPAA affects entities such as Atchison County, Kansas;

WHEREAS, Atchison County, Kansas desires to comply with Federal laws and rules and regulations;

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
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That the following resolution is enacted to declare that Atchison County, Kansas is a "hybrid entity" under the HIPAA and its rules and regulations mentioned above.

Atchison County is a single legal entity whose business activities include both functions subject to the provisions of the HIPAA privacy regulations found at 45 C.F.R. Parts 160 and 164 (the "Privacy Regulation") and functions not subject to the Privacy Regulations.

Atchison County is a "hybrid" covered entity for the purposes of the Privacy Regulations. The covered entities of Atchison County include the following departments:

Ambulance Department, Sheriff's Department, Clerk's Office, Atchison County Community Corrections, and Atchison Senior Village.

All other Department of Atchison County are not covered entities under the Privacy Regulations.

As a "hybrid" covered entity, all Departments who are covered by the Privacy Regulations will ensure that its covered health care components do not disclose Protected Health Information ("PHI") to another non-covered component of Atchison County, in violation of the Privacy Regulations.

Dianne Knowles is designated as the Privacy Officer for the County and is vested with the duties to insure that the County is in compliance with the Privacy Regulations of HIPAA.

Passed and adopted in regular session the 4 day of June, 2003.

Floyd Oswald  
Chairman

Michael Edwards  
Commissioner

George Rost  
Commissioner

Attested and Recorded, this 4 day of June, 2003.

Paulene White  
County Clerk

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