



PINAL COUNTY
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PINAL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

March 24, 2021



HIPAA PRIVACY AND BREACH GAP EVALUATION

Internal Audit Summary

Pinal County Health Department provides health services to the residents and inmates of Pinal County as well as managing population health initiatives; therefore, the County is subject to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) . The primary scope of this assessment focused on Pinal County's practices and processes in place for enforcing compliance with the safeguarding of protected health information ("PHI"), as required by the **Privacy and Breach Notification Rules of HIPAA**, specific to Public Health and Correctional Health. Through these services and in its role as a healthcare provider, Pinal County creates, receives, maintains, and transmits PHI. Accordingly, the Internal Audit Department (IA) performed an evaluation of the sufficiency of oversight programs in place for promoting, monitoring, and enforcing compliance with the safeguarding of PHI, as required by the Final Privacy and Breach Notification Rules of the HIPAA, including modifications resulting from the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH) Act and the Final Omnibus Rule.

Internal Audit Completion Date: February 2021



*Due to the sensitive nature of the content, both HIPAA reviews will be discussed in executive session.

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