How did the Healthcare Regulation evolve?

1996: HIPAA Introduced
1998: Security Rule propose

1999: HIPAA privacy rule proposed

HIPAA Rule

Mandates organizations to protect personal health information and requires that information shared with business associates (BAs) is appropriately protected.

HITECH Act

HIPAA privacy, security and breach notification laws apply directly to BAs of covered entities.

BAs are now regulated, subject to OCR audit, civil or criminal penalties under certain conditions.

2009: HITECH Act signed into law

The HIPAA Omnibus Rule

Expanded the definition of BA to include entities that transmit and need routine access to PHI (contractors, subcontractors)

2013: Omnibus Rule in force

2009: First ever HITRUST CSF delivered

2009-2016 Enhancements

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HITRUST was born out of the Health Information Trust Alliance (HITRUST), it exists to ensure that Information Security becomes the core pillar of, rather than an obstacle to, the broad adoption of health information systems and exchanges by addressing specific challenges such as concern over current breaches, numerous and sometimes inconsistent requirements and standards, compliance issues, and the growing risk and liability associated with information security in the healthcare industry.