

## Health Law Insights Newsletter – Issue 2

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McCarter & English, LLP's Healthcare Group presents the April 2014 issue of Health Law Insights, which discusses the latest legal issues in the health care industry.

#### **Federal Updates**

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Issues Guidance for Meaningful Use Hardship Exception  
CMS Initiates Pilot Program for Hospice Patients  
Doc Fix Included in Protecting Access to Medicare Act  
US Department of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General Broadens Scope of Compliance Reviews  
Doctor Payment Data Released on CMS Website  
OIG Issues Notice of Termination to Previous Advisory Opinion  
OIG Issues Unfavorable Advisory Opinion on EHR Interface  
CMS to Develop Rating System for Hospitals, Home Health and Dialysis Providers  
Proposed Rule Would Amend Fire Safety Standards for Providers  
Halifax Hospital Medical Center and Department of Justice (DOJ) Reach \$85 Million Settlement  
OIG Excludes Dental Provider for Five Years

#### **State Updates**

New Jersey Attempts to Unify Mental Health Privilege  
NJ Department of Health Proposes Amendments to Reimbursement Rates to Hospitals Providing Certain Psychiatric Services

#### **HIPAA Updates**

HHS Gears Up for HIPAA Audits  
Free Software Released to Aid HIPAA Compliance  
Class Certification Sought After Widespread Data Breach  
Hospital Settles Data Breach Action for \$4 Million

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