

COVERED ENTITIES*

A Covered Entity is one of the following:

A Health Care Provider	A Health Plan	A Health Care Clearinghouse
<p>This includes providers such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doctors • Clinics • Psychologists • Dentists • Chiropractors • Nursing Homes • Pharmacies <p>...but only if they transmit any information in an electronic form in connection with a transaction for which HHS has adopted a standard.</p>	<p>This includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health insurance companies • HMOs • Company health plans • Government programs that pay for health care, such as Medicare, Medicaid, and the military and veterans health care programs 	<p>This includes entities that process nonstandard health information they receive from another entity (i.e., standard electronic format or data content), or vice versa.</p>

*This chart is excerpted from U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, "Covered Entities and Business Associates," available at <https://www.hhs.gov/hipaa/for-professionals/covered-entities/index.html>