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Membership Advisory

New Regulations Under HIPA

On December 1, 2017 new regulations are to come into force regarding subsection 63(2) of the Health Information and Protection Act (HIPA). The new regulations are in response to recommendations made by the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Saskatchewan following a disclosure by eHealth. eHealth as a matter of practice provides limited personal health information to Elections Saskatchewan (Investigation Report 008-2017). The authority for eHealth to provide this information was not previously contained within HIPA. The new regulations allow eHealth to enter into an agreement with Elections Saskatchewan to disclose registration information to the Chief Electoral Officer for the purpose of establishing, maintaining or revising the register of voters. Information that can be disclosed without permission is limited to the name, address, date of birth and telephone number of the subject individual. While this has been the practice of eHealth, and should not extend beyond disclosure of basic information, it is something that members are encouraged to learn more about and to discuss with their clients during the informed consent process when talking about the electronic health record system utilized in the publicly funded services.