

NCI Center for Bioinformatics Informatics Seminar Series

HIPAA and Clinical Research

9:00 until 11:00 AM
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Natcher Center (Bldg 45), Balcony A

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Dr. J. Michael Fitzmaurice will discuss broadly the four components of HIPAA (transactions and codes, identifiers, security, and privacy) giving the most recent updated information about the contents of these standards, dates of first release, and anticipated dates of final rules.

Then Dr. Fitzmaurice will present factual information about the HIPAA Privacy Rule, a standard that protects individually identifiable health information in the hands of entities that are covered by HIPAA. Impacts on researchers who undertake records-based research will be examined, as well as ways to address these impacts.

Dr. Fitzmaurice will describe recent positions that have been taken on this proposed rule in publicly available comments submitted to the Secretary in response to an open public comment period that ended March 30, 2001.

Following the presentation there will be an open discussion.