

## Compliance Today – December 2018 Security is a journey

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To conclude this year's series of Security Awareness Reminders, it is important to highlight that the security of electronic protected health information (ePHI) is an ongoing effort and not a "one and done" proposition. Protecting the security of ePHI requires the concerted effort of an organization's IT department and the users of its IT networks. The need for open communication between those tasked with protecting the security of ePHI is more important than ever as new threats are discovered that could exploit vulnerabilities, which in turn could result in compromising the security of ePHI. This month's security reminder highlights the importance of ongoing communication between the IT department and those who access ePHI.

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