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### ***OnRamp HIPAA Hosting Services Help Companies Achieve Compliance***

AUSTIN, TX - OnRamp, an Austin-based [data center](#) operations company, is addressing the recent surge in HIPAA compliance violations with hosting solutions that meet the privacy and security standards defined by HIPAA and HITECH laws. Last year, the government reported a marked increase in HIPAA compliance issues among healthcare institutions. The increase in violations, when coupled with more stringent guidelines and audits implemented in late 2011 by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, brings financial and legal ramifications for violators of this privacy agreement. OnRamp's [HIPAA compliant hosting](#) solutions are designed to work with covered entities and business associates to comprehensively ensure that they are HIPAA compliant so that our customers can feel confident that their sensitive patient data is protected.

OnRamp has developed a "[3-Step HIPAA Risk Management](#)" process, rooted in the data center operations company's highly secure managed hosting, cloud computing and colocation services, to diagnose, assess and manage any threats, vulnerabilities and risks to the IT structure of covered entities. OnRamp then works with the covered entities and business associates that come in contact with patient data to design and implement systems and applications to build a fully compliant solution that addresses the confidentiality, the availability and the integrity of electronic protected health information (e-PHI).

"In the past two years, 92% of all healthcare institutions have reported experiencing a data breach of some kind," said OnRamp Founder Chad Kissinger. "The majority of these violations have to do with the improper storage of e-PHI. When we look at what options exist for companies in getting help from data center partners, we found that most folks in our industry aren't actually doing all that much. OnRamp has spent considerable time creating an in-depth, flexible 3-Step HIPAA Risk Management Process to assist each customer in making appropriate decisions as to how to use OnRamp's data center services to build a comprehensive HIPAA compliant solution. We are much more than just the siloed data center component of the plan for which you are ultimately responsible. We are your partner in ensuring that you're HIPAA compliant."

In addition to maintaining the data storage industry SSAE16 SOC II certification, PCI and HIPAA compliance audits, OnRamp's state-of-the-art data center is designed to the highest levels of security, redundancy and reliability. OnRamp customers use the company's highly flexible data center services in a variety of ways to provide for the protection of their e-PHI. Backed by [Full7Layer Support](#) from a team of experienced, on-site engineers, customers that choose OnRamp benefit from the company's ability to eliminate the seams or gaps in protection when providers offer only parts of the solution. Working with OnRamp, companies have a trusted partner in ensuring that their IT infrastructure is HIPAA compliant.

#### ***About OnRamp***

OnRamp was founded in 1994 in Austin, Texas. As one of Texas' first Internet operations companies, OnRamp's history is rooted in providing reliable and secure connectivity that enables distributed computing. Today, OnRamp is a data center operations company that delivers [co-location](#), [managed hosting](#), [cloud](#) and [disaster recovery](#) services backed by Full7Layer Support.

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