

Health Information Technology

Health Information Technology is a broad subject that encompasses business activities related to the creation, maintenance, storage, transfer or exchange of medical or health care data. Baker & Daniels' health information technology (HIT) professionals provide clients with the full range of integrated legal services required by any health IT project whether it involves investing in or starting up an HIT vendor, a health information exchange or other HIT service or technology provider; adopting an electronic health records (EHR) system; or complying with the new American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) provisions.

Health care organizations such as hospitals, health systems, health plans, physicians, pharmacies and pharmaceutical companies, technology companies and insurance companies will be affected by ARRA and the administration's goal that all Americans have access to EHRs by 2014. With the adoption of ARRA, also known as the "Economic Stimulus Act," there is renewed support for an infrastructure that encourages electronic exchange of health information, whether through EHR systems, telemedicine, local or regional health information exchanges, or the use of personal health records (PHRs). ARRA has provided incentives to encourage physicians and hospitals to adopt certified EHR systems. It has also expanded the already complex HIPAA health information privacy and security rules.

Baker & Daniels' experienced team of HIT lawyers and consultants can advise clients on pursuing opportunities and in navigating and complying with the new HIT regulations. A number of our team members reside in Washington, D.C., giving them easy access to the Capitol Hill during these changing times.

Baker & Daniels HIT professionals work to stay current in this constantly evolving area of law and business. Our lawyers and consultants advise large and small clients on a broad range of HIT issues, including:

- Health information exchanges and regional health information organizations (RHIOs)
- Privacy and security
- Telemedicine/ePrescribing
- Nonprofit organizations
- Intellectual property, including patents
- Licensing of technology
- Health care regulatory matters
- Strategic alliances
- General corporate/contracts
- State and/or federal public policy
- Antitrust

Related Practices

- Life Sciences
- Intellectual Property
- Business & Corporate Finance

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