

## **MDS Alert**

## **CLIP & SAVE: Has Your Facility Shored Up Its HIPAA Security For These Devices?**

Take steps now to ensure EPHI is secure or CMS might cite you.

When HHS releases HIPAA security guidance, consider your facility forewarned. HHS says it has concerns about the vulnerability of these devices in safeguarding electronic protected health information:

- --Laptops
- --Home-based personal computers
- --Personal digital assistants
- --Smart phones
- --Hotel, library or other public workstations
- --Wireless access points (WAPs)
- --USB flash drives and memory cards
- --Floppy disks, CDs, DVDs
- --Backup media, e-mail, smart cards
- --Remote access devices (including security hardware).