

John, this is Don Arbon at Mid-Columbia Medical Center.

Please oppose this bill. It is a duplication of the federal requirements, and will add another level of administrative burden making healthcare even more expensive -- with no improved outcomes for patients or improved information. HIPAA is already strong enough, and we don't need useless duplication of oversight with no benefit. And for us rural providers that are already struggling to keep the doors open, we don't need this.

Thanks for your help.

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