

The Red Flag Rule

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The Red Flags Rule: Requiring Providers to Detect, Prevent, & Mitigate Identify Theft

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The 2008 Federal Trade Commission Red Flags Rule was passed pursuant to authority granted to the FTC under the Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act. This Rule is designed to require creditors to take steps to prevent and mitigate identity theft. Because it is a rule promulgated by the FTC, most home care and hospice providers were completely unaware of the rule. However, the FTC has stated that this rule applies to health care providers. Providers have until August 1, 2009 to get into compliance.

Your state association has made special arrangements to provide the following resources for compliance with this Rule.

- The twelve-page legal article by Robert Markette, Jr., CHC. This article will provide a brief overview of the Red Flags Rule along with some thoughts on steps you can take to get into compliance.
- A downloadable (14 pp) Red Flags Rule Policy customizable template in Word or text format. This Template is annotated by the author to make it easy to adapt for your agency.

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