OntarioMD Privacy and Security Training Module

The OntarioMD Privacy and Security Training Module was developed to provide comprehensive privacy and security training for physicians, nurses and their staff.

Under the **Personal Health Information Protection Act** (PHIPA), physicians are health information custodians (HICs). As HICs, physicians need to fulfill their obligations to protect Personal Health Information (PHI) all the time. This online training module covers topics such as safeguarding PHI from security incidents and privacy breaches, and how to comply with obligations under PHIPA.

The training module covers:

- the importance of privacy and security, and your legal and professional obligations
- PHI and ownership of medical records
- Ontario's Electronic Health Record (EHR) systems and your obligations as a user of such digital health systems
- consent and consent directives
- ways to safeguard PHI
- how to develop acceptable use policies of EHR systems
- system and network controls that must be in place before you access EHR systems
- how to manage relationships with electronic service providers
- how to identify and appropriately respond to security incidents and privacy breaches

The training is only available to registered users of OntarioMD.ca. Registered users can log in to the module with their user accounts. If you do not have an account, please register for one at OntarioMD.ca. Physicians and nurses who are registered users can create sponsored accounts for staff to complete the training.

The training module has been developed by OntarioMD with input from the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario (CPSO), the Canadian Medical Protective Association (CMPA), the Ontario Medical Association (OMA) and eHealth Ontario.

The module is certified as a Self-Learning Program by the College of Family Physicians of Canada for two Mainpro+ credits upon successful completion of the training. This module can also be claimed for credit from the Royal College Maintenance of Certification (MOC) Program as a Section 2: Personal Learning Project for two credits/hour.