# Control, Yourself! Hands-On Smartphone Security & Privacy for Audiologists

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#### Learning Outcomes

- 1. Attendees will be able to explain potential threats to business operations, reputation, patient privacy, and protected health information from insecure smartphones.
- 2. Attendees will be able to list the sensitive data stored on-and potentially recoverable from-a lost, stolen, or hacked smartphone.
- 3. Attendees will be able to demonstrate how to change settings to improve security and privacy of mobile devices.

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# Roadmap

- Phones in the practice
- Real-world impact of phone theft, loss, and hacks
- Forensic recovery from an audiologist's mobile device
- 7 best-practices to securing mobile devices *do them with me*
- Summary and further information

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# Phones in the Practice

What limitations are preventing better protection? (Select all that apply)

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- 80% Not enough expertise
- 24% Not enough money
- 23% Not enough time

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#### Meet Dr. Anne and Dr. Ivan







## What phone is most secure?



#### **Market Share**

Android: 86% Apple: 14%

<u>Software</u> Android: Open Apple: Closed



"Surveys have shown that around 80% of physicians use an iPhone, while most of the remainder opt for Android smartphones."

C. L. Ventola, "Mobile Devices and Apps for Health Care Professionals: Uses and Benefits," P T 39, no. 5 (2014)

# Smartphones in Audiology



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# A Day in the Life of Dr. Anne's Phone





- 6:01 Check social media
- 6:05 Check work email
- 6:30 Check work calendar
- 6:59 Text staff "running late"
- 10:00 Scan insurance check to deposit into bank
- 3:00 Take fun staff photo
- Post photo to Facebook 3:05
- 4:30 Text patient about dropping off batteries
- 4:50 Login to OMS to get patient address
- 4:55 Enter patient address into GPS
- 5:30 Connect to bar wifi at happy hour
- 6:00 Check social media
- Check email 8:00
- 10:00 Check social media



# Smartphones in the Practice

- Practice email
- Web access to EDR/OMS
- Calendar and patient schedule
- Texts to co-workers
- Calls/voicemails with patients
- Photos and videos
- Practice social media
- Bank deposits, payments
- Stored passwords



## Threats to Smartphones



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**Insecure Passwords, Unencrypted Data** 

#### Hacking and IT Incidents was the top breach cause in healthcare in 2019.



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#### Lifespan Pays \$1,040,000 to OCR to Settle Unencrypted Stolen Laptop Breach

Lifespan Health System Affiliated Covered Entity (Lifespan ACE), a non-profit health system based in Rhode Island, has agreed to pay \$1,040,000 to the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and to implement a corrective action plan to settle potential violations of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Privacy and Security Rules related to the theft of an unencrypted laptop. Lifespan ACE includes many healthcare provider affiliates in Rhode Island, and has designated itself as a HIPAA affiliated covered entity. <sup>1</sup>

On April 21, 2017, Lifespan Corporation, the parent company and business associate of Lifespan ACE, filed a breach report with OCR concerning the theft of an affiliated hospital employee's laptop containing electronic protected health information (ePHI) including: patients' names, medical record numbers, demographic information, and medication information. The breach affected 20,431 individuals.

# Digital Forensics of Smartphones

- Installed applications
- Photos
- Text messages
- Email
- Web history
- Calendar
- Contacts

- Call history
- Voicemails
- Stored passwords
- WiFi networks
- Location data





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#### iPhone X Teardown





# SIM Card

- Unique identification number
- Phone number
- May contain:
  - Contacts
  - Text messages



# Seven Steps to Safer Smartphones

- 1. Install updates
- 2. Setup strong authentication
- 3. Set a lock screen
- 4. Install a password manager
- 5. Setup "find my phone" and remote wipe
- 6. Anonymize advertiser ID
- 7. Encrypt your device



## #1 Install Updates



#### **Risk management (Required).** Implement security measures sufficient to reduce risks and vulnerabilities to a reasonable and appropriate level to comply with § 164.306(a).

45 C.F.R. § 164.308(a)(1)(ii)(B)



# #1 for iPhone

#### **Operating System**

- 1. Open Settings
- 2. General > Software Update

#### <u>Apps</u>

- 1. Open App Store
- 2. Click Profile Icon (upper right)
- 3. Scroll and click Update All



## #1 for Android

#### **Operating System**

- 1. Open Settings
- 2. System > Advanced > System Update

#### <u>Apps</u>

- 1. Open Play Store
- 2. Click My Apps & Games
- 3. Click Update All



# #2 Setup strong authentication

![](_page_33_Picture_1.jpeg)

Unique user identification (Required). Assign a unique name and/or number for identifying and tracking user identity.

45 C.F.R. § 164.312(a)(2)(i)

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# #2 for iPhone

- 1. Open Settings
- 2. Touch ID & Passcode
- 3. Setup fingerprint, passcode, and/or face ID

![](_page_34_Picture_4.jpeg)

# #2 for Android

- 1. Open Settings
- 2. Security
- 3. Under Device Security
  - 1. Configure Screen Lock with
    - Swipe
    - Pattern
    - PIN, or
    - Password
  - 2. Configure fingerprints

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#### #3 Set a Lock Screen

![](_page_36_Picture_1.jpeg)

Automatic logoff (Addressable). Implement electronic procedures that terminate an electronic session after a predetermined time of inactivity.

45 C.F.R. § 164.312(a)(2)(iii)

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# #3 for iPhone

- 1. Open Settings
- 2. Select Display & Brightness
- 3. Select Auto-Lock
- 4. Select the desired option (e.g., 30 seconds)

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## #3 for Android

- 1. Open Settings
- 2. Security
- 3. Under Device Security, select the gear icon next to Screen lock
- 4. Select "Lock after screen timeout"
- 5. Select the desired option (e.g., 30 seconds)

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### #4 Install a Password Manager

![](_page_39_Picture_1.jpeg)

**Password management** (Addressable). Procedures for creating, changing, and safeguarding passwords.

45 C.F.R. § 164.308(a)(5)(ii)(D)

NIST Special Publication 800-63B (June 2017)

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# #4 for iPhone

- 1. Open App Store
- 2. Search for LastPass
- 3. Install and configure

![](_page_40_Picture_4.jpeg)

## #4 for Android

- 1. Open Play Store
- 2. Search for LastPass
- 3. Install and configure

![](_page_41_Picture_4.jpeg)

#### #5 Setup "Find My Phone" + Remote Wipe

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A breach will be presumed to have occurred unless the party considered responsible can demonstrate that protected health information was not compromised. Remote wipe can virtually eliminated the risk of a financial penalty.

45 CFR § 164.402

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# #5 for iPhone

- 1. Open Settings
- 2. Click your profile name
- 3. Click "Find My iPhone"
- 4. Click to Enable

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## #5 for Android

- 1. Open Settings
- 2. Click Security
- 3. Click "Find My Device"
- 4. Click to Enable
- 5. You may need to install an app from the Play Store

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## #6 Anonymize advertiser ID

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![](_page_45_Picture_2.jpeg)

# #6 for iPhone

#### Limit ad tracking

- 1. Open Settings
- 2. Click Privacy
- 3. Click Advertising
- 4. Ensure "Limit Ad Tracking" is enabled

#### Turn off location-based ads

- Go to Settings > Privacy > Location Services > System Services
- 2. Turn off Location-Based Apple Ads

![](_page_46_Picture_9.jpeg)

## #6 for Android

- 1. Open Settings
- 2. Click Privacy
- 3. Click Advanced
- 4. Click Ads
- 5. Enable "Opt out of Ads Personalization"

**Note**: Each Google Account and Service has its own ad settings <u>https://support.google.com/ads/answer/2662856</u>

![](_page_47_Picture_7.jpeg)

# #7 Encrypt Your Device

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**Encryption and decryption** (Addressable). Implement a mechanism to encrypt and decrypt electronic protected health information.

45 C.F.R. § 164.312(a)(2)(iv)

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# #7 for iPhone

- 1. Go to Settings > Touch ID & Passcode
- 2. Press "Turn Passcode On" if not enabled already
- Confirm your device is encrypted by scrolling to the bottom of the screen and looking for "Data protection is enabled"

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## #7 for Android

- 1. Open Settings
- 2. Click Security
- 3. Click Encryption & Credentials
- 4. Enable "Encrypt phone"

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#### You Did It!

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# Summary

- Lower risk to patients' info and your business with a secure phone
- Where else is there risk in your practice?
- Ready to do more?
  - Beware apps permissions
  - Two-factor authentication (2FA)
  - VPN
  - Risk assessment

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#### Brightest LED Flashlight

Version 1.5.0 can access

#### Contacts

read your contacts

- Phone
  - directly call phone numbers

#### Camera

- take pictures and videos
- Device ID & call information
  - read phone status and identity

#### Other

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- android.permission.CHANGE\_CONFIGURATION
- android.permission.FLASHLIGHT
- This app can appear on top of other apps
- have full network access
- view network connections
- prevent phone from sleeping
- modify system settings

You can disable access for these permissions in Settings. Updates to Brightest LED Flashlight may automatically add additional capabilities within each group. <u>Learn more</u>

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#### secure phone

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  - Secure wipe when EOL

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## Questions

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