**Discussion Assignment**

**Introduction**

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) enacted in 1996 is the foundation for privacy security practices in healthcare. As technology advances, there are many other policy related concerns related to privacy and security. DNP-prepared nurses must be aware of processes necessary to ensure the privacy and security of healthcare data.

**Resources:**

[Article: Ethical and legal considerations of healthcare informatics.](https://canvas.south.edu/courses/19348/files/3037735?wrap=1)

[Article: Data security and privacy issues in healthcare.](https://canvas.south.edu/courses/19348/files/3037736?wrap=1)

[Website: Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (Links to an external site.)](https://www.healthit.gov/topic/privacy-security-and-hipaa/privacy-security-resources-tools)

**Instructions**

Read the articles listed above in Resources then respond to the following:

* Peruse the official website of the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) to identify one resource to support organizations in adhering to HIPAA electronic requirements. Discuss how the DNP-prepared nurse could utilize this resource in a clinical setting.
* Because of the amount of personal health information available electronically, including genomic information, how can healthcare organizations assess for risk and design programs to guard against cybersecurity threats?
* What impact, if any, do global environmental factors have in precipitating new and emerging cybersecurity threats?

See Attached 2 articles

Article 3

[Privacy & Security Resources & Tools | HealthIT.gov](https://www.healthit.gov/topic/privacy-security-and-hipaa/privacy-security-resources-tools)