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The easiest way to get to the Federal Register is to go through AHIMA

www.ahima.org

Go to:

Advocacy & Public Policy -> Other Links & Information -> and then scroll down to “Federal Information Resources.” Click on the Federal Register

- It breaks it down by year
- You must have a “proposed rule” (see below)

Or you can use this website link that I always use; you can copy and paste it.


When searching for a Proposed Rule you must look under the “Action” section at the beginning of the information. (See below)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[CMS–3278–NC]

Medicare Program: Request for Information on Hospital and Vendor Readiness for Electronic Health Records Hospital Inpatient Quality Data Reporting

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS.

ACTION: Request for information.

SUMMARY: This document is a request for information from hospitals, electronic health record (EHR) vendors, and other interested parties regarding hospital readiness beginning calendar year 2014 discharges to electronically report

Addresses: In order to receive credit for comments submitted by electronic means, please include the following information in the “Comment” section:

1. Electronic

2. By regular mail

3. By express delivery

Please allow adequate time for comments to be considered in the close of the comment period.
This particular document is not a “Proposed Rule” – It is a “Request for Information”

Here is the website link that I always use, you can copy and paste it.


You may have to search several months or days to find one that is an actual proposed regulation. They are broken down into regulations, notices and request for information.

Look at this below screen shot. It shows the Federal Register November 3, 1999 under the Department of Health and Human Services.

When I click on the PDF link to the “Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information I get the following:
See my action? It is “Proposed Rule” - Now with that being said; no one can use this one as their document.

So with this information I can answer all of the questions asked in the case study.

- **Name:** Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information
- **Regulation number:** 45 CFR Parts 160 through 164 – RIN 0991-AB08
- **What agency:** Department of Health and Human Services
- **Summary of the regulation:** You would need to read
- **What is the deadline for comments:**
  - After the summary in the document it says this:

> DATES: Comments will be considered if received as provided below, no later than 5 p.m. on January 3, 2000.
> ADDRESSES: Submit electronic comments at the following web site: http://aspe.hhs.gov/admsimp/.
> Mail comments (1 original, 3 copies, and, if possible, a floppy disk) to the

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