

# Office of Civil Rights (OCR) released its highly anticipated Final Rule

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Last month, as required by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) Act, the Office of Civil Rights (OCR) released its highly anticipated [Final Rule](#) modifying standards applicable to the confidentiality and release of substance use disorder (SUD) patient records (a/k/a "Part 2") to more closely align with HIPAA's privacy and related regulations. You can read our alert on the Final Rule here: [Part 2 Update: HHS Final Rule Aligning Federal Protections for Substance Use Disorder Records with HIPAA](#).