

## Michael Dowell Discusses Cybersecurity and Cyberattack Prevention Strategies for Pharmacies

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Hinshaw partner Michael Dowell authored an article in *U.S. Pharmacist* titled "Pharmacies Must Take Steps to Protect Against Data Breaches." The article discusses cybersecurity threats confronting pharmacies and offers cyberattack prevention strategies that can help pharmacies protect patients' personally identifiable information (PII) and protected health information (PHI). The article emphasizes the importance of complying with applicable federal and state laws and implementing healthcare industry standards for cybersecurity.

The article reviews examples of recent data breaches and explains why the costs for prevention outweigh the costs of responding to a cyberattack. Also provided is a summary of relevant legal requirements and industry-standard data security practices which can mitigate pharmacies' risk of cyberattacks and ransomware as cybersecurity threats have significantly increased in recent years.

## Read the full article on the U.S. Pharmacist website

"Pharmacies Must Take Steps to Protect Against Data Breaches" was published by *U.S. Pharmacist* on May 13, 2022

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