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## DOES IT SECURITY COMPLIANCE EQUAL EFFECTIVE RISK MANAGEMENT?



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In short, the answer is no. Merely meeting compliance standards such as Sarbanes-Oxley, HIPAA, etc. does not mean that an organization is effectively managing the risk resulting from a data breach. Primarily, many of these regulations were written at a time when data theft was not the issue it is today and updates to these policies rarely keep pace with the changing environment.

Over the last few years, data theft has become an extremely profitable business. Furthermore, newer federal and state privacy laws have imposed harsh penalties for inadequate protection of information regardless of the compliance rules met.

So, what should you do?

Identify where your confidential information is stored (either electronically or on paper) and assess the protection of that information. Your discussions might include the following:

- Do your employees receive frequent information security training?
- Do your policies and procedures adequately include information security?
- Is access to information limited to only those who need it?
- Have you adopted a policy to mitigate "bring your own device" risk?

Contact the experts at Crosslin Technologies to help relieve your concerns and allow you to focus on growing your company.

