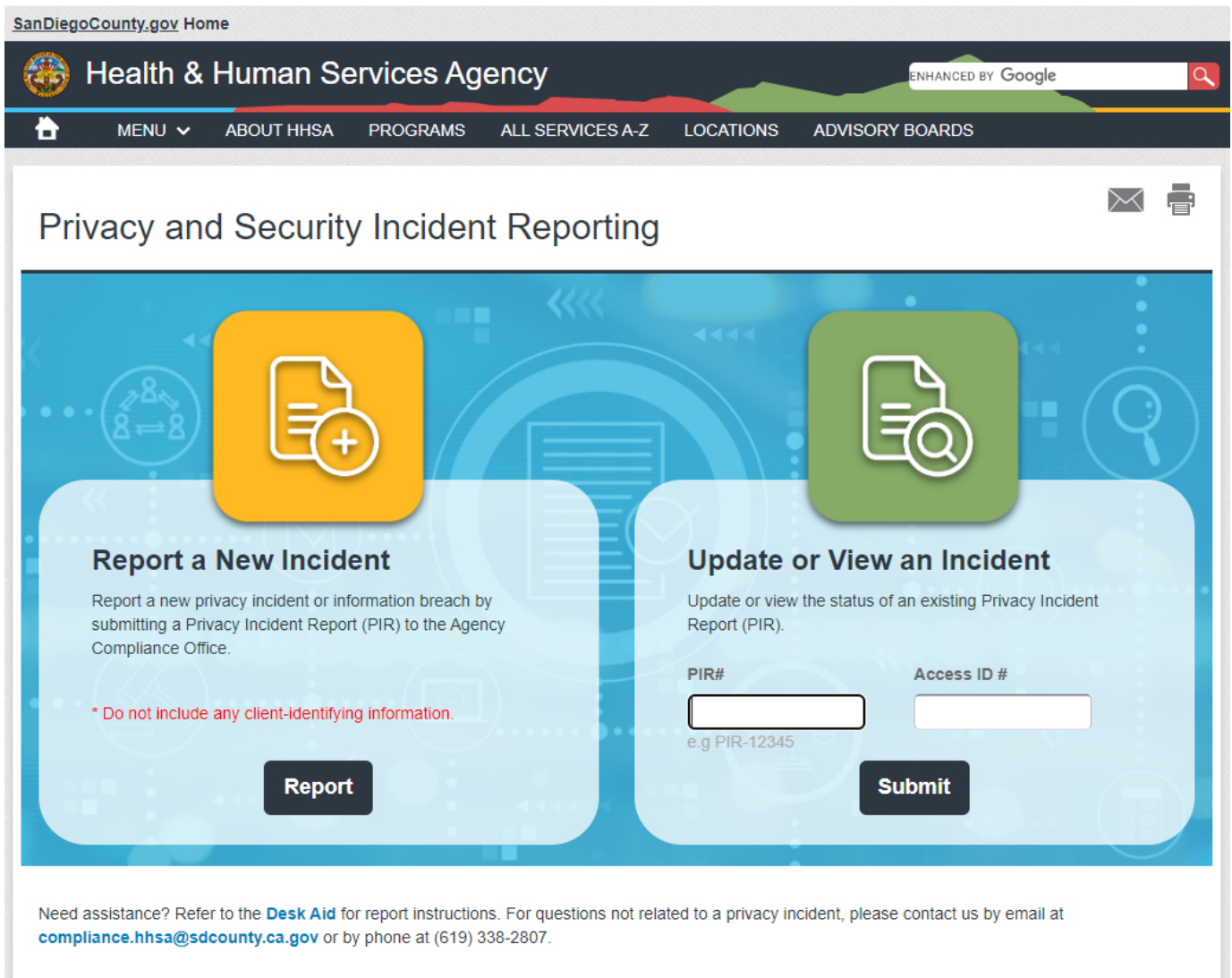


# Privacy Incident Reporting (PIR) Online Desk Aid

**\* Use this guide to help you submit or view a Privacy Incident Report. \***

1. Go to the Privacy and Security Incident Reporting landing [page](#).



The screenshot shows the 'Privacy and Security Incident Reporting' landing page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'SanDiegoCounty.gov Home', the agency logo, and a search bar. Below the navigation bar, there are menu options: 'MENU', 'ABOUT HHSA', 'PROGRAMS', 'ALL SERVICES A-Z', 'LOCATIONS', and 'ADVISORY BOARDS'. The main content area features two primary actions: 'Report a New Incident' (highlighted in yellow) and 'Update or View an Incident' (highlighted in green). The 'Report a New Incident' section includes a warning: '\* Do not include any client-identifying information.' and a 'Report' button. The 'Update or View an Incident' section includes input fields for 'PIR#' (with an example 'e.g PIR-12345') and 'Access ID #', and a 'Submit' button. At the bottom, there is a footer with contact information: 'Need assistance? Refer to the Desk Aid for report instructions. For questions not related to a privacy incident, please contact us by email at [compliance.hhsa@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:compliance.hhsa@sdcounty.ca.gov) or by phone at (619) 338-2807.'

2. To submit a new incident report, click on the **Report** button, or click on the 'Report a New Incident' icon in yellow.



### 3. Complete the Privacy Incident Report (PIR) as much as possible. To avoid errors, please follow the tips below:

- Do not enter protected, confidential, or client-identifying information in the web form.
- Mandatory questions are indicated with a red asterisk (\*).
- Please complete the form within one (1) business day.
  
- If a question does not apply to your report, you may leave it blank. Do not enter "Unknown" or "N/A".
- Some characters entered on the webform can be interpreted as programming code and can cause errors when submitting the report. Avoid using quotation marks ("").
- Most date questions use the feature 'calendar date picker'. Select a date from the calendar instead of manually entering the date.
- Type your answers continuously. Do not use the **Enter** or **Return** key to create multiple paragraphs when answering questions.
- Some fields have character limits. If additional information needs to be provided, consider attaching a file such a pdf, Word doc, Excel spreadsheet, email message, or an image.
- Do not copy and paste text from another document into the webform.
  
- A submitted PIR can be accessed online while it is in "Pending" status. It is inaccessible once it is accepted as "Complete" or "Closed".
- The PIR form works best using the Google Chrome or Microsoft Edge web browser.



## HHSA Privacy Incident Report (PIR)



DO NOT ENTER ANY PROTECTED INFORMATION (PI/PHI) IN THIS REPORT

### REPORT DETAILS

Status Reason

County Staff Only  Yes  No  
Check if this PIR involves a Security Incident Report (SIR)

### REPORTING PARTY INFORMATION

First and Last Name\*

Title\*

E-mail Address\*

Contact Phone Number\*

### PRIMARY STAFF INVOLVED IN PRIVACY INCIDENT

#### INDIVIDUAL STAFF INFORMATION

Entity of Staff Involved\*  County Employee  Contractor

First Name

Last Name

Primary job function/duties

Job Classification or Title

4. To attach a document, select the **Choose File** button at the bottom of the form.

Discuss impact of Privacy Incident (risk, potential misuse of data, identity theft, etc.)

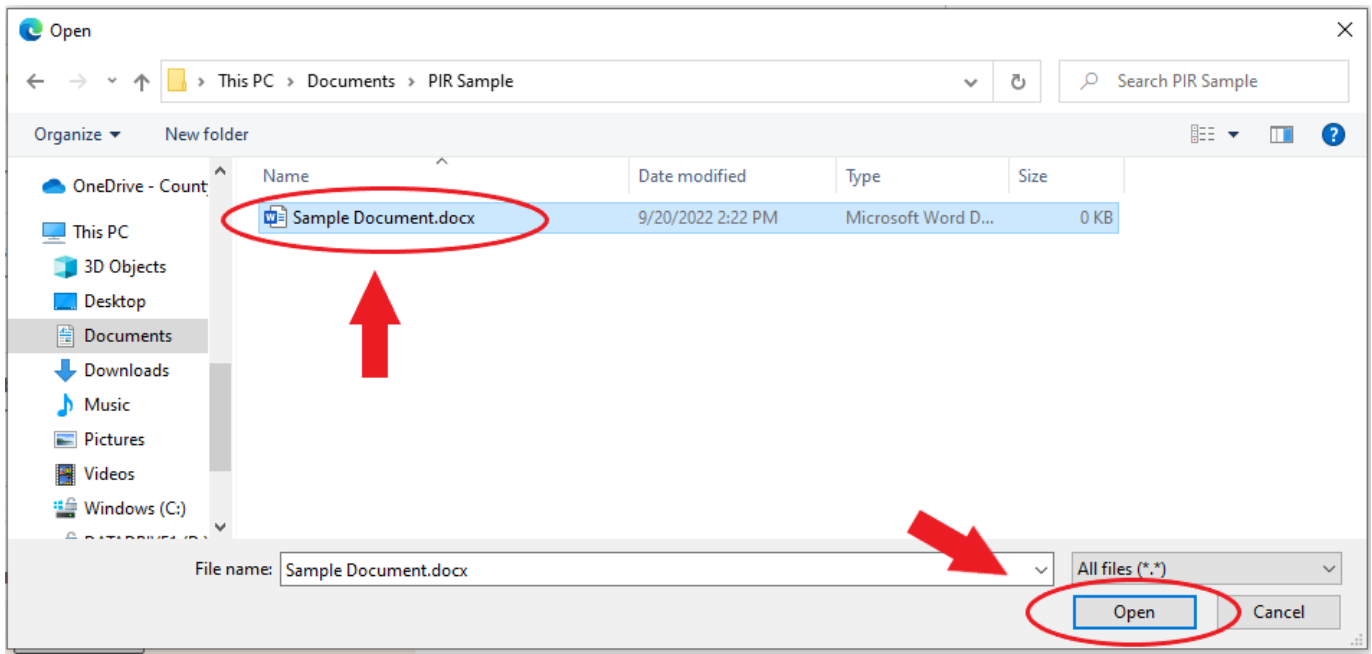
Describe mitigation plan and status (if necessary attach separately)

#### WITNESS INFORMATION

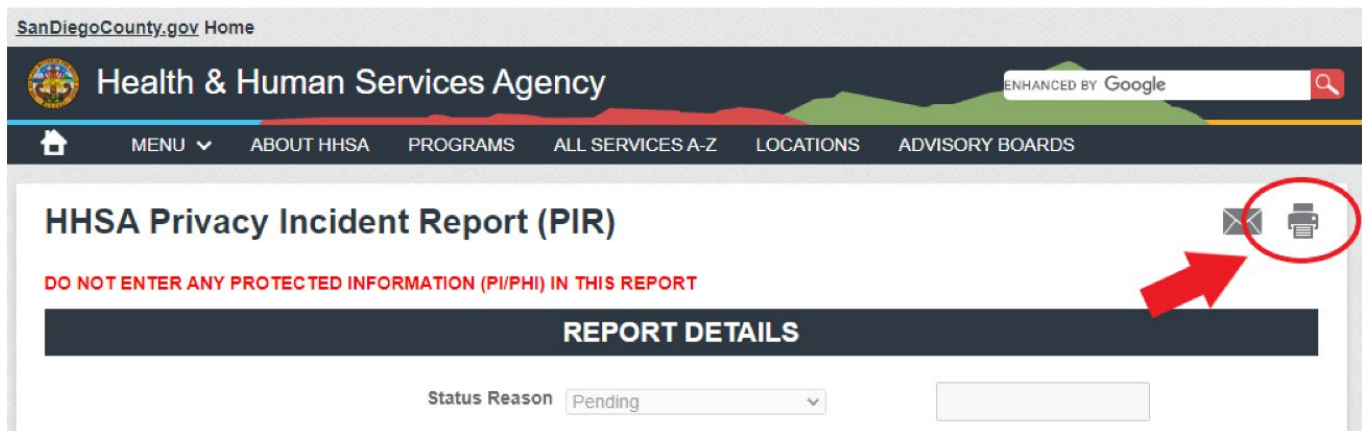
Supporting Documents Upload

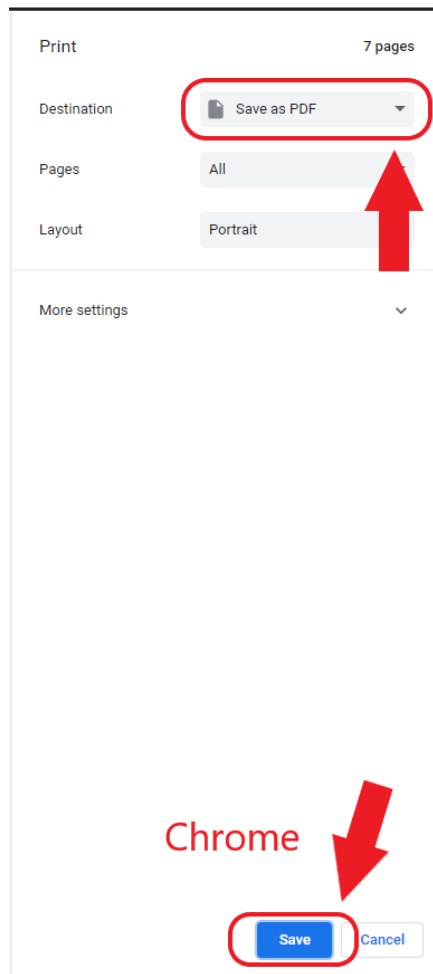
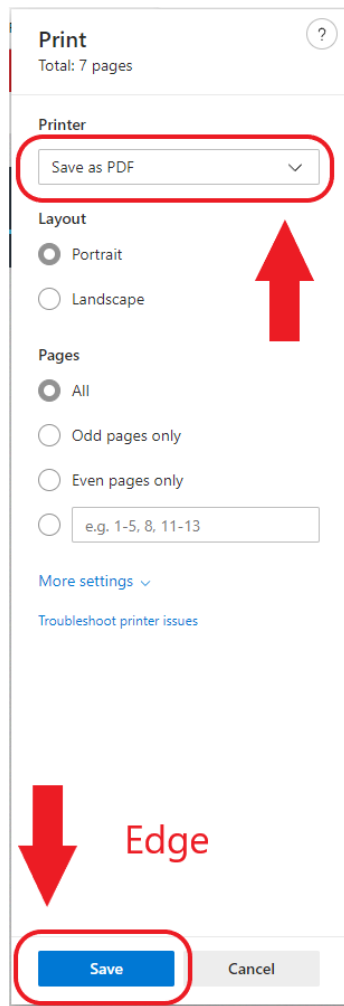
No file chosen

5. Find and select the file you want to attach. Double-click the file or select **Open**.



6. When you have completed the PIR form, it is recommended you save your form as a PDF file in case there are network errors when you submit the form. Do not use the **Save** button at the bottom of the form. Instead, click the printer icon at the top of the form to save your form as a PDF file.





7. When you are ready to submit the PIR, click the **Submit button** at the bottom of the form one time. Do not click the button more than once.

Discuss impact of Privacy Incident (risk, potential misuse of data, identity theft, etc.)

Describe mitigation plan and status (if necessary attach separately)

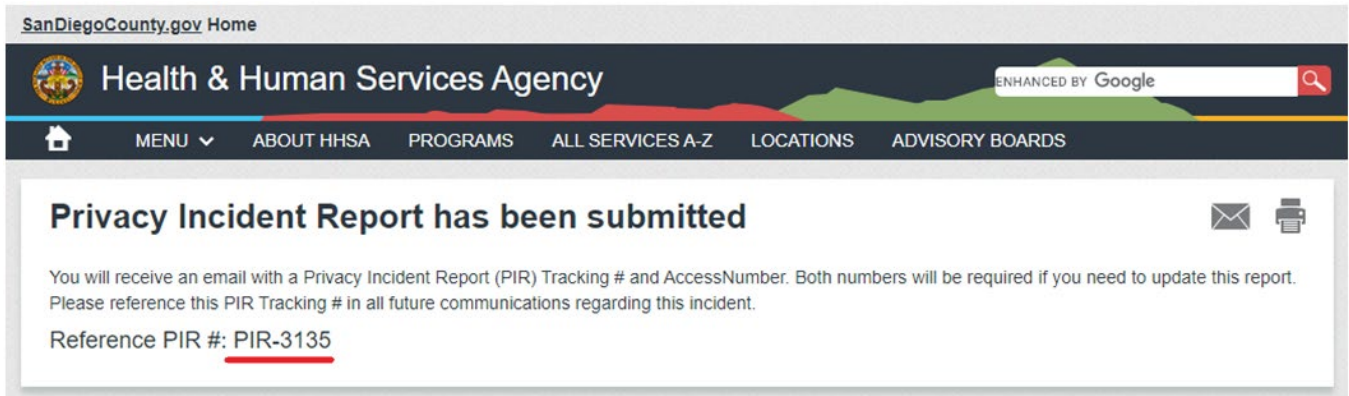
**WITNESS INFORMATION**

Supporting Documents Upload

Choose File

**Submit** **Save**

8. After you submit your PIR, you will see a display message that provides you with a **PIR Reference Number**. Save this number.



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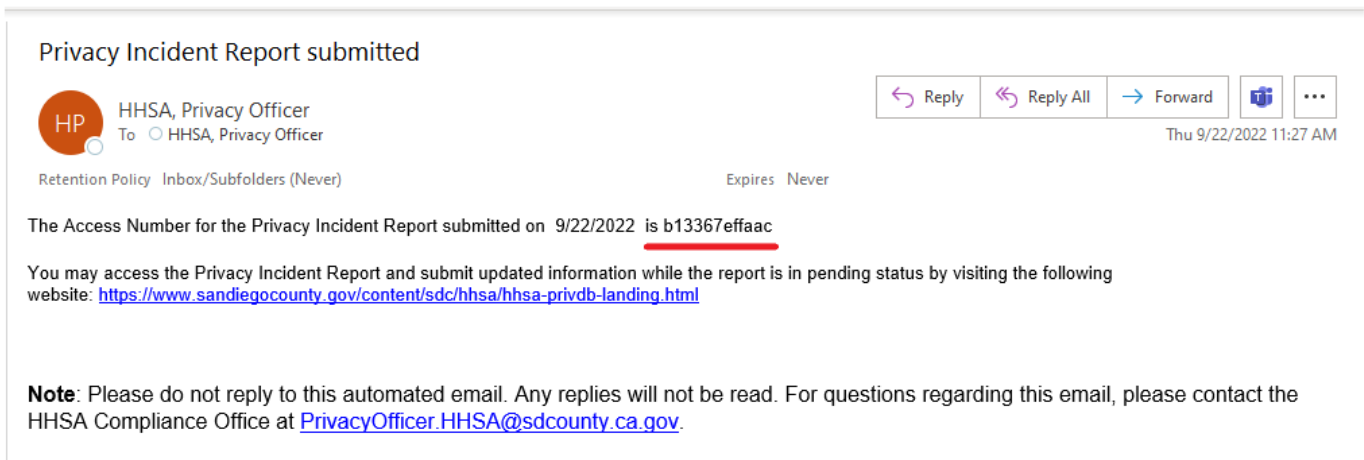
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### Privacy Incident Report has been submitted

You will receive an email with a Privacy Incident Report (PIR) Tracking # and AccessNumber. Both numbers will be required if you need to update this report. Please reference this PIR Tracking # in all future communications regarding this incident.

Reference PIR #: PIR-3135

9. You will also receive an email with a unique **PIR Access Code**. Save this number. You can use this code to access your PIR while it is still “Pending” in order to make changes to it.



Privacy Incident Report submitted

HP HHS, Privacy Officer  
To: HHS, Privacy Officer

Retention Policy Inbox/Subfolders (Never) Expires Never

The Access Number for the Privacy Incident Report submitted on 9/22/2022 is b13367effaac

You may access the Privacy Incident Report and submit updated information while the report is in pending status by visiting the following website: <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/hhsa/hhsa-privdb-landing.html>

**Note:** Please do not reply to this automated email. Any replies will not be read. For questions regarding this email, please contact the HHS Compliance Office at [PrivacyOfficer.HHSA@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:PrivacyOfficer.HHSA@sdcounty.ca.gov).

10. To access or make changes to a Pending PIR, return to the Privacy and Security Incident Reporting landing [page](#).

- Enter your **PIR Reference Number** in the **PIR#** entry space by using the following format: **PIR-####**. Do not add any spaces.
- Enter your **PIR Access Code** in the **Access ID #** entry space.
- Click on the **Submit** button or select the ‘Update or View an Incident’ icon in green.
  - If you are having issues retrieving the report, you may need to refresh the page to load information into the form.





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### HHSA Privacy Incident Report (PIR)

DO NOT ENTER ANY PROTECTED INFORMATION (PI/PHI) IN THIS REPORT

#### REPORT DETAILS

2022-09-22T18:17:44Z Status Reason Pending PIR-3135

County Staff Only  Yes  No  
Check if this PIR involves a Security Incident Report (SIR)

#### REPORTING PARTY INFORMATION

First and Last Name\* Test Test  
Title\* Privacy Officer

11. When you have completed your changes to the PIR form, click the **Submit** button at the bottom of the form one time. Do not use the **Save** button at the bottom of the form (it will not save the changes you made).

#### WITNESS INFORMATION

Supporting Documents Upload

Choose File Chosen

**Submit** **Save**