

Critical IT vulnerabilities in rural healthcare

DATA SNAPSHOT

Rural respondents were more likely than urban ones to cite every single type of barrier to adopting HIPAA compliant email as an issue.

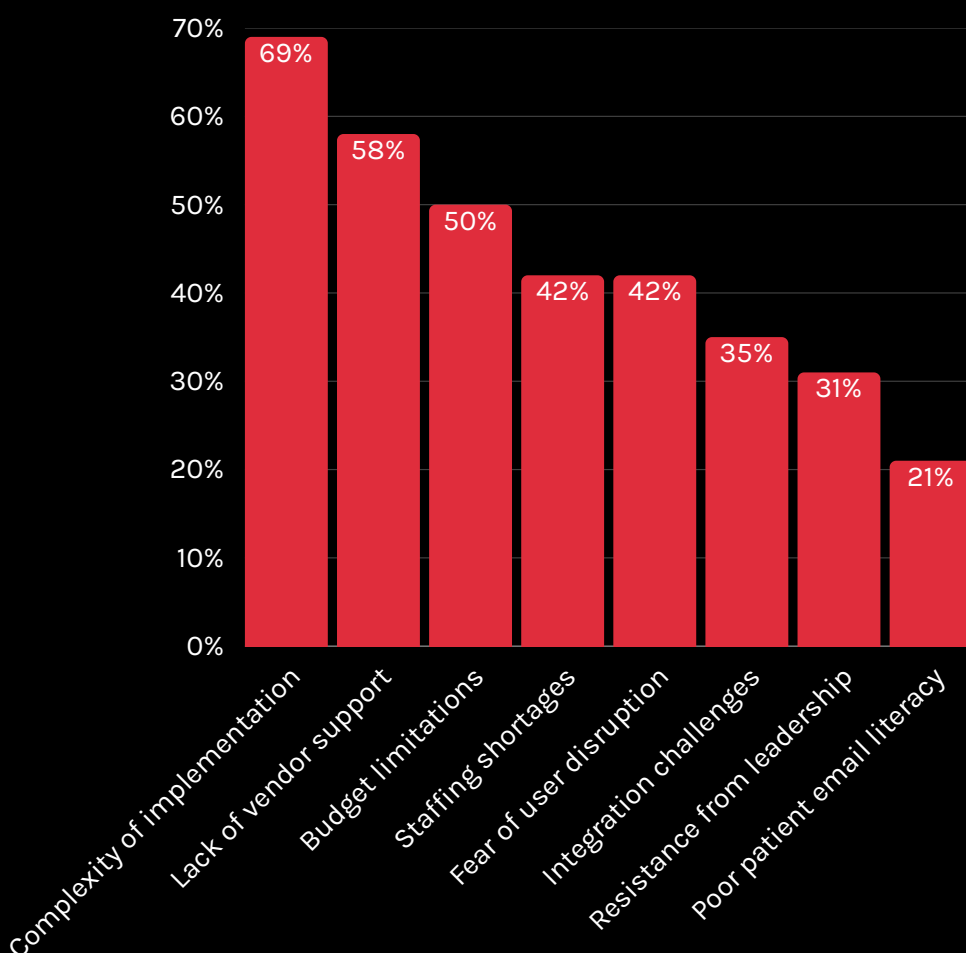


8 out of 10 rural healthcare IT leaders say infrastructure holds them back

“Cyber defense is a moving target, and one that requires **significant time, energy and resources**”—assets that rural facilities often don’t have.

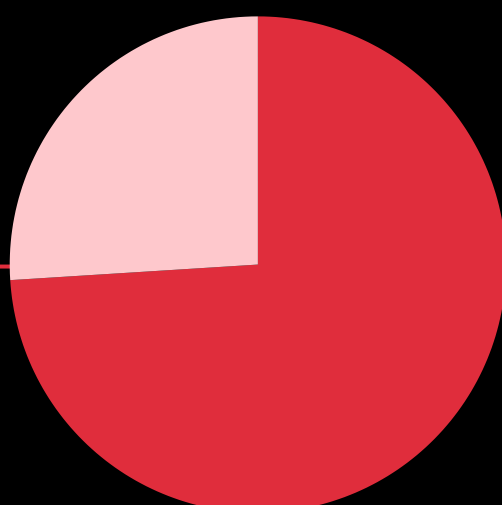
- Kate Pierce, CIO, CISO, Northern Country Hospital

TOP BARRIERS TO HIPAA COMPLIANT EMAIL ADOPTION



74%

of rural healthcare IT leaders aren’t satisfied with their current email security features



“Small and rural hospitals are on the frontline of America’s healthcare cybersecurity crisis... The majority **lack the staffing, funding, and infrastructure** to defend themselves against increasingly sophisticated attacks.”

- Doug Brown, Founder, Black Book Research

RURAL PROVIDERS ARE INVESTING LESS IN IT AND SECURITY

