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The American Institute of Public Accountants (AICPA) designed SOC 2 compliance assessments to ensure businesses display adequate practices that safeguard data with proper security processes. The Type II certification affirms that a company has demonstrated all required controls over a minimum six-month period. To achieve compliance, organizations must prove to an independent third-party it is compliant with strict security policies and procedures.

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years to process over 1,000 small business payroll accounts," said John P. Magaletti, Partner, SwiftChecks Payroll Services. "Our clients expect that each bit of data we process is protected and secure, and this expectation must extend to every one of our vendors and partnerships. AccountantsWorld's SOC II certification demonstrates their commitment to delivering the secure cloud-based environment our clients' require to manage their payrolls. By partnering with AccountantsWorld, we can offer a payroll service that combines the protection and peace of mind of a large national payroll service."

AccountantsWorld, which was acquired by IRIS last year, provides payroll to more than 750,000 employees and processes over \$6B payments annually.

AccountantsWorld Payroll Relief is the latest IRIS offering to achieve SOC compliance following the certification of IRIS Practice Engine and IRIS Star Practice Management.

This announcement follows a stellar period for IRIS as the company has continued to supercharge its North American operations. Over the last 12 months, IRIS has made strategic market acquisitions including Doc.IT, Conarc and AccountantsWorld and increased investment in its existing CPA offerings such as Star Practice Management, Innervision, FMP, PSI, Senta and Practice Engine.

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