

What is SAML?

Security Assertion Markup Language (SAML) is an open standard for exchanging authentication and authorization data between an identity provider and a service provider. SAML is the link between the authentication of a user's identity and the authorization to use a service.

How does it affect you?

With SAML authentication, users won't have to worry about filling out their username and password each time they want to use BizLibrary (service provider). They will simply be prompted to select their preferred authentication method that has already been set up between their IP and SP.

Most organizations have users that use multiple applications and websites. The benefit of SAML allows for your organization to store user identities across your applications. SAML also does not require user info to be maintained between directories.

How do you know if you can use SAML?

If you aren't sure if you have/can use SAML, we suggest you contact your internal IT department. Your IT department will be a resource since they most likely have access to your identity provider. All you need is a metadata string or .XML file from your identity provider!

Why is SAML required within the Content Application?

Content-only clients that want to utilize the create and customize functionality within the Content Application must set up authentication with their identity provider before doing so. This benefit is in place to ensure your content is secured by BizLibrary and only accessible from users within your organization. An example of this type of content could be proprietary employee information, or specific training content you wish to deploy only to employees.