## Staying on the Path to Privacy Compliance: the Art of Audits and Updates

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### Privacy Compliance: Why Are We Talking About This?

"When rating a list of items in terms of their importance to the business using a 1-to-10 scale, from very low importance (1) to very high importance (10), **CLOs continue to place cybersecurity, regulation and compliance issues, and data privacy as the top three issues for the business**. This aligns with the survey's other findings that CLOs expect industry-specific regulations and data protection privacy rules to pose the biggest legal challenges to the business this year."

- 2023 ACC Chief Legal Officers Survey





## Privacy Compliance: Why Are We Talking About This?

- Two Waves of Fundamental Changes
- Entire Enterprise Engagement
- Takes Everyone to Make It Work
- Continuing Compliance Efforts



## Key Steps for Ongoing Compliance

- Ongoing Data Mapping
- Consistent Application of Data Minimization/Retention Policies
- Robust Processing Contracts
- Informal and Formal Data Protection Assessments
- Annual and Event-Based Reviews



### **Ongoing Data Mapping**

Toddler Questions: <u>What?</u> <u>How?</u> <u>Where?</u> <u>Why?</u> <u>How long?</u> <u>Who?</u>



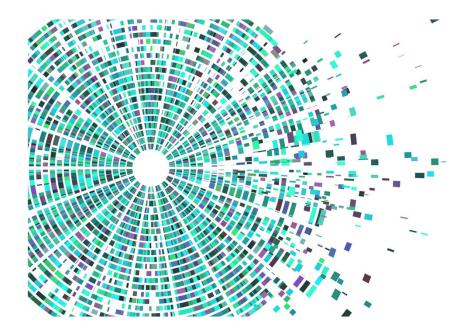


### Data Inventory Essentials



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# Consistent Application of Data Minimization and Retention Policies



### **Data Minimization**

Collect or process only the personal information which is adequate, relevant, and necessary for the purpose of collection or processing.

### **Retention Periods and Policies**

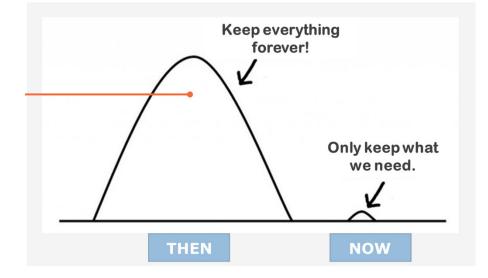
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# Consistent Application of Data Minimization and Retention Policies

### Key Risks:

- Data Breach
- Ransomware Attack
- Enforcement Action
- Litigation
- Class Action
- Consumer Requests







### **Robust Processing Contracts**

- Specific requirements for processing agreements in each law.
  - CPRA Different Requirements for Different Types of Processor
    - Service Provider, Contractor or Third Party
- Examples of contractual requirements:
  - Processing instructions;
  - Details of processing;
  - Restrictions on processing;
  - Technical and organizational security measures;
  - Return or deletion of personal data;
  - Audits and other assistance; and
  - Sub-processor restrictions and pass-through obligations.
- Prepare a robust form that includes all of the required provisions.
- Try to account for changes and new laws through general application of the DPA and express procedural provisions.





### **Robust Processing Contracts**

- Joint Controllers and Controller-to-Controller Transfers
  - GDPR concepts not addressed in US privacy laws, but practical realities in the US
- Recommended contractual minimums absent legally-required provisions
  - Role acknowledgment and designated responsibilities
  - Compliance with law, including requisite notice and consent
  - Security measures
  - Breach notification
  - Cooperation and assistance
  - Indemnification





### Informal and Formal Data Protection Assessments

- Data protection assessments are risk assessments designed to help businesses identify, analyze, and limit the privacy risks associated with data processing.
- Many, but not all laws, require them for certain types of "high risk" processing.
  - Targeted Advertising
  - Sales of Personal Data
  - Profiling
  - Processing Sensitive Data
- Beyond the formal, legally-required assessments, informal assessments provide benefits, too.





### Annual and Event-Based Reviews

- Annual regulatory reviews are required under California law and practical necessity where not legally-required.
- Events may also warrant reviews of your privacy program
  - New data collection.
  - Security incidents impacting existing data.
- Businesses have a duty to monitor and document their own and their processors' compliance.





QUESTIONS?



## Thank You!

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