Background:
Privacy is an important University value and one that carries with it risks if not managed properly. The Privacy Program helps UC make privacy-minded decisions by:

- **Providing Subject Matter Experts:** Each campus has a designated a Campus Privacy Official responsible for building its institutional privacy program, in addition to the HIPAA Privacy Officers.
- **Sharing Expertise with UC Governance Bodies:** Campus and HIPAA privacy professionals provide actionable advice to location-created administrative groups that address the strategic direction of privacy and information security, as well as the operational needs of cybersecurity risk reduction.
- **Providing Training:** Privacy professionals also provide local and systemwide training on emerging risk areas. In recent months, we offered systemwide in-person trainings on negotiating contracts that involve the use of data. We also offered additional web training concerning incident response and mechanisms for reporting suspected incidents within the UC system.
- **Developing Strategic Partnerships:** Privacy leads across the system partner with local subject matter experts to drive privacy-minded solutions. At the systemwide level, these partnerships led to:
  - Stronger contract templates to protect personal information contained in University records;
  - Policy that embeds crucial privacy risk calculations into University processes;
  - Holistic, robust focus on protecting against cyber attacks by integrating privacy and security tools; and
  - Awareness across UC disciplines about the practical implications of privacy on various business areas (e.g., Risk, Security, Research, etc.).

Current Status:
The UC Privacy Program continues its work with some important upcoming projects:

- Launching a cross-functional workgroup to help student health centers better comply with the intersecting obligations of FERPA and HIPAA;
- Updating systemwide policies on protected health information and administration of records containing personally identifiable information;
- Cross-functional training on how best to negotiate contracts involving protected health information;
- Template outlining obligations researchers have when they take UC research information to other universities;
- Assisting the President’s Cyber Risk Initiative with incorporating privacy concerns as it deploys additional security tools.

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