



On June 1, 2013 the University of Utah Health Sciences IT implemented a new Information security plan, effective immediately. The plan applies to all of health sciences clinical and academic departments including the College of Nursing. **This is a required initiative from the Federal Government** and there are significant potential penalties if we are not in compliance. The University of Utah is extremely serious about this effort, and will deny access to the network if you are not in compliance.

Compliance with all campus regulations about information security and privacy is mandatory – no exceptions are allowed. These regulations include personal devices and devices used for research.

Key points of the initiative:

ALL laptops, USB drives, and external storage devices must be encrypted – by July 1, 2013. If you use a device to **touch any type of university data**, it has to be encrypted with an approved form of whole-disk encryption.

Laptops and portable devices must be inventoried and manually verified (by our IT office) as encrypted using an approved form of encryption.

You will be asked to complete mandatory encryption training module through Learning Management System (LMS formerly EduCAT). This is in addition to the current HIPAA and information security training. You will be asked, after the training, to attest to compliance with encryption policies.

The Privacy and Information Security Office websites are located at:

<http://privacy.utah.edu/> and <http://www.secureit.utah.edu/>

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