

DEFINITIONS

“Encryption” is a technology that protects information by converting it into unreadable code that cannot be deciphered easily by unauthorized people.

“Full Disk Encryption” or “Whole Disk Encryption” encrypts all data on a system, including files, folders and the operating system.

STANDARD

- 1) The only full disk encryption methods for workstations and laptops that are approved for use are listed below:
 - a) Checkpoint full disk encryption
ISS and DGIT will require Checkpoint to be installed on all new Windows systems they support as of December 31, 2017.
 - b) Symantec PGP whole disk encryption
Note, all new Windows systems should be encrypted with Checkpoint.
 - c) Microsoft BitLocker full disk encryption
Note, all new Windows systems supported by ISS and DGIT should be encrypted with Checkpoint.
 - d) Apple FileVault full disk encryption
- 2) For workstations and laptops encrypted with the built-in encryption solutions BitLocker or File Vault:
 - a) Owners or IT must enter the device into the DGIT encryption registration database by following the instructions at the link below:
<https://inventory.dgsom.ucla.edu/inventory/self-eua>
 - b) The owner must arrange for secure back up of the encryption key to allow for data recovery if the password is forgotten.
- 3) For non-UCLA owned workstations on which the users never store University Business documents, even temporarily, and for which the only University Business use of the workstation is for a function listed below may be exempted from the encryption requirement of HS Policy No. 9453C, “Device Encryption:”
 - a) CareConnect remote access
 - b) Outlook web access
 - c) Windows remote desktop for Windows

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

- 1) All hard drives installed in workstations and laptops must be encrypted using full-disk encryption with Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) with a key length of 256 bits.
- 2) All removable media must be encrypted using full-disk encryption with Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) with a key length of at least 128 bits. Encryption ciphers should be FIPS 140-2 validated.

QUESTIONS

- 1) Find answers for mobile device encryption questions on the Frequently Asked Questions page at the link below:

<https://inventory.dgsom.ucla.edu/encryption/faq>

- 2) Visit IT Connect in the CHS Café Med for walk-in encryption support:

<http://medschool.ucla.edu/it-connect>

- 3) Your IT Support Group can also help with any device encryption questions you may have.
- 4) If you have questions about this Standard, please contact the Office of Compliance Services – Information Security (InfoSecAll@mednet.ucla.edu)

REFERENCES

HS Policy No. 9453C, “*Device Encryption*”

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