



THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10007

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 34

April 12, 2018

ESTABLISHING THE MAYOR'S OFFICE OF INFORMATION PRIVACY  
AND CITYWIDE PRIVACY PROTECTION COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, this Administration is committed to improving the coordination of City resources and services across agencies to ensure that residents from all backgrounds and communities can thrive and prosper and receive the right services at the right time, as reflected in OneNYC (2015), New York City's comprehensive ten-year plan; and

WHEREAS, in providing benefits, services, and care, coordinating such efforts across agencies, and working to ensure the public health and safety, City agencies collect, retain, and disclose personal information about City residents and other individuals that must be protected in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, and City and agency policies; and

WHEREAS, City agencies also regularly receive requests from third parties for personal information about City residents and other individuals; and

WHEREAS, various federal, state, and local laws and regulations restrict the disclosure and redisclosure of certain types of personal information to an individual or entity that is lawfully authorized to have access to such information for the purpose requested; and

WHEREAS, robust information privacy and security protections are critical to facilitating access by all New Yorkers to important City services, such as but not limited to public safety and health services; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to consolidate leadership relating to information privacy protection within a new office that will coordinate efforts to strengthen best practices across agencies, and also to support agencies in implementing such practices with their contractors and subcontractors; and

WHEREAS, effective June 15, 2018, Local Laws 245 and 247 of 2017 set forth new requirements relating to the collection, retention, and disclosure of individually identifiable information;

NOW THEREFORE, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of New York, it is hereby ordered that:

Section 1. There is established in the Office of the Mayor:

- a. an Office of Information Privacy ("Office"). The Office will be headed by the Chief Privacy Officer ("CPO"), who will report to the Director of the Mayor's Office of Operations ("Operations"); and
- b. a Citywide Privacy Protection Committee ("Committee"), convened and chaired by the Director of Operations or such Director's designee, and comprised of representatives from a broad range of City leadership, including the representatives enumerated in Chapter 12 of Title 23 of the Administrative Code and any additional representatives with relevant expertise in relation to information privacy and security as the Director of Operations or such Director's designee may deem necessary to further the goals and efforts of the Committee and the CPO.

§ 2. The CPO and Committee will perform all duties assigned to them as set forth in section 8(h) of the Charter and Chapter 12 of Title 23 of the Administrative Code, and support City agencies in compliance therewith, exercising the powers granted to the Mayor by section 8(g) of the Charter.

§ 3. The CPO, City's Chief Information Security Officer, General Counsel to the Department of Technology and Telecommunications, and Chief Technology Officer will collaborate, meeting regularly, to: address issues of shared interest and concern relating to information privacy and security; identify and recommend strategies and best practices relating to information privacy protection; and coordinate implementation of such practices as appropriate, in consultation with the City's Law Department and Counsel to the Mayor as necessary.

§ 4. City agencies will cooperate with the CPO and the Committee to ensure appropriate implementation of this Order. Such cooperation will include but is not limited to sharing relevant agency policies, protocols, and other requested information in a timely manner.

§ 5. This Order will take effect immediately.

  
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Bill de Blasio  
Mayor