

Road to PIPA 2024

A quarterly guide to readiness for the implementation of PIPA (2016) which comes into full effect 1 January 2025 from The Office of the Privacy Commissioner (PrivCom)



Organisational Committment Ground Work

Inventory

Risk Assessment Policy & Procedure

Training

Service Providers Incident Response PIPA Rights Requests External Comms

PIPA

Policy & Procedure
Create a general policy regarding commitment to privacy compliance and expectation that staff act in accordance with PIPA
Create a data retention and destruction schedule and share expectations with staff regarding collection of personal information, including how to provide notice of the purpose and, if needed, gain consent
Update your employee handbook to reflect how you want staff to perform actions associated with various task that include personal information

Training
Hold a staff training event to review the importance of privacy practices and highlight policy changes to reconfirm commitment of the organisation to Privacy – PIPA comes into effect 1st January 2025
Develop role-based training for each business unit/process to instruct individual staff members that use personal information directly on how to follow the policies and procedures
Solicit feedback from staff about their work following the training and make amendments as needed to procedures

Outsourcing and Service Providers
Assemble a list of service provider agreements/contracts and work with legal counsel to review terms relating to information sharing
Use a checklist to identify certain elements of the contracts such as privacy compliance, breach notification, sub-contracting, etc.
Identify the countries where information is being transferred or stored and document whether and how the contractual provisions create a reasonable belief that the protection overseas is comparable to PIPA requirements
Create a timetable for when contracts renew and ensure any renewals are updated with regards to privacy compliance