With privacy being a major concern among the public and a top risk for both private and government entities, University Compliance Services provides information on important privacy developments and to provide a centralized platform where WWU Privacy Owners and the University Community can connect on privacy topics relevant to Western in an effort to strengthen its developing Privacy Program.

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**AI Community of Practice (CoP) Update**

The AI CoP is a group of interested people from across the public sector sharing information on AI. The CoP governance group includes representatives from WaTech, state agencies, and local government. Some of the work products developed by the CoP may be used to support Executive Order 24-01 deliverables (listed in the next section).

**Steering Committee Objectives:**

1. Develop a set of guidelines and policies.
2. Identify and document best practices.
3. Establish a governance structure and develop mechanisms for accountability and oversight.
4. Document use cases and examine potential societal impact.
5. Facilitate collaboration and knowledge sharing.
6. Promote alignment of new AI technologies to business and IT strategies.

**AI CoP Subcommittees:**

1. AI Risk
2. AI Policy
3. AI Use Case
4. AI in Local Government

**Proposed Generative AI Policy Sections:**

1. Responsible AI use
2. AI contact for each agency
3. GenAI Planning (to include data quality and monitoring)
4. AI Inventory
5. Risk Assessments
6. Training
7. Data Sharing Agreement requirements/contract terms
8. Transparency
9. High Risk GenAI Use

If you are interested in participating in the AI CoP, please contact Nicole Goodman for more information.

See also [Privacy@WWU March 2024 newsletter](#) for a summary of Privacy Risks Associated with Artificial Intelligence.

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**Executive Order 24-01**

The [Governor's Executive Order 24-01](#) covers state agencies only and has the following specific deliverables that will likely support some of the State AI Task Force work:

**Due September 2024**

1. Report of Generative AI (GenAI) initiatives for agencies.
2. Initial guidelines for procurement.
3. Accountability framework.

Due December 2024

2. Risk assessment tools.

Due January 2025

1. Training plan for all state workers.
2. Contract terms templates.
3. Identify and create research opportunities.

AI Task Force

The AGO’s AI Task Force, compared to the steering committee of EO 24-01, includes both the public and private sector and broader industry initiatives.

The AG Office announced the Artificial Intelligence Task Force members on June 21, 2024. The Task Force includes one representative from higher education, Dr. Magdalena Balazinska, who is the Director of the Paul G. Allen School of Computer Science and Engineering at the University of Washington.

Task Force Subcommittees:

1. Education and workforce development,
2. Public safety and ethics,
3. Health care and accessibility,
4. Labor,
5. Government and public sector efficiency,
6. State security and cybersecurity,
7. Consumer protection and privacy, and
8. Industry and innovation.

Task Force Mandated Topics:

1. Intellectual property and personhood protections, including replicas of voice or likeness,
2. High-risk uses of AI that could negatively affect safety or fundamental rights, and appropriate human oversight and accountability,
3. Systemic racial disparity issues perpetuated in AI systems,
4. Protecting workers across industries from harm and bias by AI systems,
5. Opportunities to support innovation, and
6. Improving transparency and public education about AI, data privacy and security.

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**Webinar**

**Considerations for AI and Healthcare Webinar (free)**

July 24 @ 10:00 a.m.

Contact Nicole Goodman if you are interested in receiving more information.

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