



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

(Revised: Feb. 2017)

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Meeting Date: 9/13/18
Agenda Item #: R.10
Est. Start Time: 10:55 a.m.
Date Submitted: 8/23/18

Agenda Title: **Proclaiming September 17-21, 2018 as Privacy Awareness Week in Multnomah County, Oregon**

Requested

Meeting Date: September 13, 2018 **Time Needed:** 5 minutes

Department: Non-Departmental **Division:** County Attorney

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Presenters: Heather Updike, Human Resource Analyst Senior, Department of Community Justice

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Proclaiming September 17-21, 2018 as Privacy Awareness Week in recognition of the importance of protecting the privacy of personal information of the clients we serve and of our employees, and to encourage our employees to build privacy awareness in ways that support an overall culture of compliance with privacy rules and regulations.

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer(s) this action affects and how it impacts the results.

Privacy compliance continues to be a priority of the United States Department of Health and Human Services Office for Civil Rights as shown in recent enforcement actions against regional state and county governmental agencies. As a HIPAA covered entity, the County is required to provide ongoing privacy education, training and policy review to its workforce to protect the privacy of the personal information of County clients and employees.

This action affects the Privacy Officer Program Offer and impacts the results by building awareness of the compliance program and of the resources available to employees to assist them in maintaining full compliance with State and Federal law as they are required to use and disclose personal information in the course of their job duties.

3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).

None.

4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), federal rules mandating the confidentiality of information relating to substance abuse treatment (42 Code of Federal Regulations Part 2), and Oregon state law.

5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.

None.

Required Signature

**Elected
Official or
Department
Director:**

/s/ Jenny M. Madkour

Date:

August 23, 2018