UC San Diego recently released a Position Statement in regard to the EPIC Electronic Health Record System. This statement emphasizes the importance of maintaining the confidentiality and security of patient information.

The UC San Diego Research Compliance and Integrity Office continues to offer the Research Compliance Video Series available on YouTube, comprised of four short videos covering Disclosures, Conflict of Interest, Export Control, and Data Security. This video series is intended as a resource for our research community and is not mandatory.

To listen to recordings of past sessions, please visit the Research Compliance and Integrity website. If you have any questions about preparing for the AAALAC site visit, please contact the IACUC Office at iacuc@ucsd.edu or the CITI Program at citi@ucsd.edu.

We appreciate your efforts in helping to make the AAALAC site visit as successful as possible! If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

AAALAC accreditation is important to UC San Diego's research enterprise. The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) is responsible for ensuring compliance with all applicable regulations and guidelines. The IACUC is dedicated to promoting the humane treatment of animals and the ethical conduct of research.

The AAALAC International accreditation program is designed to assess the quality and effectiveness of animal care and use programs at research institutions. AAALAC International is a private, nonprofit organization that promotes the humane treatment of animals in research. AAALAC accreditation is voluntary and is intended to provide assurance that an institution has the infrastructure and processes in place to comply with federal regulations and guidelines.

AAALAC accreditation is an important component of UC San Diego's commitment to excellence in research. It demonstrates our commitment to maintaining the highest standards of animal welfare and ethical conduct in research.

In order to comply with PHS regulations for Financial Conflict of Interest (FCOI)*, UC San Diego requires all investigators to disclose relevant financial interests on an annual basis. The disclosure process is intended to ensure that researchers are free from financial conflicts of interest that could influence their work.

An FCOI means that a researcher's financial interests could directly affect the design, conduct, or reporting of research. FCOI must be disclosed regardless of the source of support for the research, including government and non-profit organizations.

The Office of Research Compliance and Integrity (RCI) provides timely notices to the granting agencies. These notices are intended to inform the granting agencies of any potential conflicts of interest that may affect the research.

The CITI training is available at no cost to UC San Diego faculty, staff and students. For researchers who are not able to attend the training, the CITI program will now be used for the required research HIPAA training. The CITI Research Privacy Training (3 min 30 seconds) is available on the UC San Diego Research Compliance and Integrity website.

The UC San Diego Electronic Health Record System (EHR) must now include Research Security topics such as disclosure and reporting requirements, federal technology, increase diversity in research and research security. Detailed in the CHIPS and Science Act is the establishment of a Center of Excellence for Research Security Technology.

Talent Recruitment Programs, International Collaborations and Data Security. This video series is intended as training must now include Research Security topics such as disclosure and reporting requirements, federal technology, increase diversity in research and research security.

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has issued a reminder about disclosing foreign financial interests. The NIH is responsible for ensuring that researchers are free from foreign influences that could affect the design, conduct, or reporting of research.

The NIH has implemented new regulations that require researchers to disclose foreign activities and financial interests. The regulations are intended to prevent the diversion of research dollars to foreign governments.

The "Creating Helpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors and Science Act" impact to the Cybersecurity, foreign travel security, research security and export control training.

The Office of the President in conjunction with several campuses developed a cybersecurity, foreign travel security, research security and export control training. Cybersecurity, foreign travel security, research security and export control training are to meet requirements for a research security program covering population that will be required to complete the RCR training.