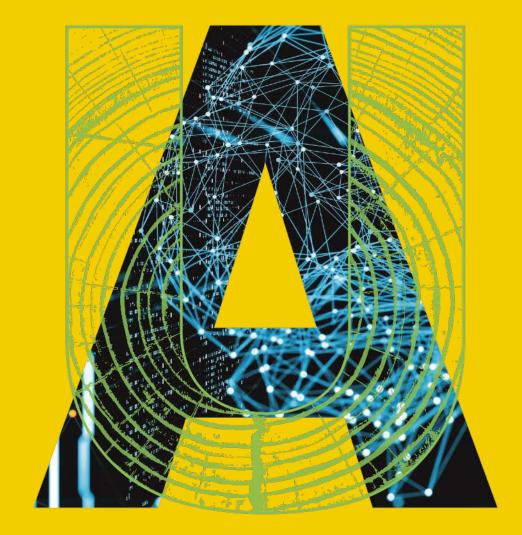
FLO SCHOOL

WHAT A FLO NEEDS TO KNOW!





what is this presentation going to be about?

- A bit about access and privacy legislation, records management and information security in the UofA context— (not too long I promise)
- A bit about liaison officers' responsibilities
- A few helpful tips for maintaining compliance with legislation as a FLO
- Wisdom from you questions and comments

The FOIP Act. A tale of 2 Parts

FOIP Act Part 1 (Access)

- Gives individuals the right to request access to any records (recorded information) held by public bodies (University), including:
 - Records defined in section 1(q)
- General records
 - Subject to limited exceptions
- Their own personal information
 - Subject to limited exceptions
 - Personal information defined in section 1(n)

What is a UofA "record"?

- documents
- emails
- letters
- handwritten notes
- Papers
- Information in databases

- vouchers
- purchase orders
- Images
- Images
- Post it notes
- Texts

In the Custody or Control of Public Body, i.e. in the course of providing University programs and services

The FOIP Act. A tale of 2 Parts

FOIP Act Part 2 (Privacy)

- Governs the collection, use and disclosure of recorded personal information in the custody and control of public bodies.
- Gives individuals the right to:
- Expect protection of the privacy of their personal information held by public bodies

Attention

(this is important)!!!

If a record exists at the time an access request is made it is subject to the FOIP Act regardless of whether that records should have existed at the time.

For example: if a phone message on a piece of paper should normally be destroyed after the call is returned but exists at the time a FOIP request is received and is responsive to the request — it needs to be provided to the IPO to respond to the request.

FOIP and the IPO — Its Not Just About Access Requests Anymore

What else do we do?

- Privacy Breach Investigations
- Privacy and Security Reviews (PSRs)
- Internal Consultations questions from staff, faculty and students about the Act (varying complexity)
- Committees and Working Groups
- Education
- Health Information Act (HIA) compliance

A little about the HIA.....

- Governs the collection, use and disclosure of health information in the custody and control of custodians (BTW UofA is NOT a custodian but some of our employees and contractors are).
- Gives individuals the right to:
- Expect protection of the privacy of their identifiable health information

FOIP Liaison Officers — Our Partners

Over 120 FOIP Liaison Officers (FLO) from faculties, departments and units of the University of Alberta assist the Information and Privacy Office in compliance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

The responsibilities and expectations of a FOIP Liaison Officer is available via our office's web site and has been made available to you before our meeting today. Let's take a few minutes to review this brief document.

Questions about the content of this document can be addressed at the end of the presentation.

FLO Tools

Request for Records Memo

- Watch for deadlines
- Ask questions
- Conduct precise searches (look at keywords in request and time periods identified)
- Review embedded resources

Document Search for Records Form (required)

- Helps documents the search (legislative requirement)
- Provides opportunity to provide important information and context to the records

Quick Tips

Encourage good records management practices — knowing what you have and where to find it makes responding to FOIP requests easier

- PARIS Training
- University Records Officer

Read and revisit the Request for Records Memo — it contains important information about the scope of the request, deadlines, keywords etc.

Complete the Document Search Form when providing responsive records — in all cases!

Ask questions — don't guess. We can help! (providing non-responsive records can increase fees, processing times, etc.)

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THANKS EVERYONE!

QUESTIONS??

