

enforcement programs, such as the [program into children's risk assessment duties](#) that should be in place as of July 24, The Office of Communications (Ofcom) is making it clear: online platforms must act – or face serious consequences. [Read more about Ofcom's non-exhaustive list of "highly effective" age assurance methods that are technically accurate, robust, reliable and fair.](#)

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California Regulator Finalizes CCPA Rules for Automated Decision Making, Cybersecurity Audits and Risk Assessments

By Trisha Sircar

On July 24, during its [scheduled](#) Board Meeting, the California Privacy Protection Agency (CPPA) Board voted unanimously to finalize rules governing the use of automated decision-making technology, risk assessments, cybersecurity audits and insurance under the California Consumer Privacy Act of 2018 (CCPA), as amended by the California Privacy Rights Act of 2020 (CPRA). A final package of the regulations will be prepared and presented to California's Office of Administrative Law (OAL), which will have 30 business days to determine if the rules will become final. [Read more about the compliance deadlines that will apply if the rules are finalized.](#)

White House Reveals AI Action Plan

By Trisha Sircar

On July 23, the White House released "[Winning the AI Race: America's AI Action Plan](#)" (Action Plan), in accordance with President Donald Trump's January executive order on [Removing Barriers to American Leadership in AI](#). As [outlined](#) by the White House, winning the AI race will usher in a new golden age of human flourishing, economic competitiveness and national security for the American people. The Action Plan identifies over 90 federal policy actions across three pillars — Accelerating Innovation, Building American AI Infrastructure, and Leading in International Diplomacy and Security — that the Trump Administration will take in the coming weeks and months. [Read more about key policies in the White House's AI Action Plan.](#)

EU Initiates Renewal of UK Adequacy Decision Following UK Adoption of the Data (Use and Access) Act 2025

By Anita Hodea

On July 22, the European Commission [announced](#) that it had launched the process to renew the adequacy decision for the United Kingdom (UK) and confirmed that the UK's updated data protection framework remains closely aligned with European Union (EU) standards. An adequacy decision enables the free transfer of personal data from the EU to a "third country" where that country's data protection laws are considered essentially equivalent to those of the EU, eliminating the need for additional safeguards. This follows the UK's adoption of the Data (Use and Access) Act 2025 (DUAA) on June 19. [Read more about the DUAA's impact and the European Commission's Draft Adequacy Decision.](#)

DORA Delegated Regulation on Threat-Led Penetration Testing Published in Official Journal

By Nathaniel Lalone and Ciara McBrien

The Delegated Regulation, which contains regulatory technical standards (RTS) on threat-led penetration testing (TLPT) requirements under the EU Digital Operational Resilience Act (DORA), was recently published in the Official Journal of the European Union. TLPT is mandatory for the "financial entities" subject to DORA, which now must meet specific impact, risk and systemic relevance criteria in relation to these testing requirements. [Read more about the TLPT structure set out in the RTS and how it aligns with the EU's threat intelligence-based ethical red teaming.](#)

Texas Federal Court Vacates Most of 2024 HIPAA Rule on Reproductive Health Information

By Lisa Prather and Brandon von Kriegelstein

In 2024, the US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) implemented a new privacy rule under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) that applied specifically to reproductive health information (2024 Rule). On June 18, Judge Matthew J. Kacsmaryk of the US District Court for the Northern District of Texas issued an opinion largely vacating the 2024 Rule. The decision in *Purl v. US Department of Health and Human Services* nullifies the 2024 Rule, except for technical provisions unrelated to reproductive health information. [Read more about the decision and the HIPAA framework that was in place prior to the 2024 Rule and is now back in effect.](#)

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