The CDO's Actionable Framework to Share Sensitive Data

Organizations can be uncomfortable – and even fearful – to leverage and share sensitive data to drive innovation and increase ROI. Identifying, substantiating and communicating the *compelling reason* to put sensitive data assets to work is key to overcoming these challenges.

IDENTIFYING

Challenges

- Lack of clarity on ownership, constraints, guidelines and privacy/ethical boundaries
- General unwillingness to share between stakeholder groups (internal and/or external)

Strategies & tactics

- Build front-end processes (e.g., define what can be done at early stage to be set up for success)
 - » Identify key stakeholders and needs, build a tactical plan
- Create a Data Risk/Cross-Functional Committee
 - » Make it compelling and make them commit
- Aim to align the data sharing scenario to the organization's mission
 - » Align the committee on data sharing goals
- Shift from data ownership to data stewardship
 - » Define it; evaluate it; establish it

SUBSTANTIATING

Challenges

- Patient or consumer mis-perceptions of use
- Legal mis-interpretations of use
- Predicting and understanding the benefit, cost and value
- Framework for public/private collaboration doesn't exist
- Data provenance/lineage

Strategies & tactics

- Ensure a legally defensible position (in line with standards/guidelines)
 - Implement frameworks with well-defined policies and practical procedures to follow
- Tie back to the business need
 - » Align with growth strategy and/or productivity, ideally tied to corporate mission/ consumer benefit
- Aim to demonstrate ROI
 - » Develop KPIs to track, including baseline capture for comparison
- Engage stakeholders early in the process
 - » Develop mechanism to elicit feedback and concerns

COMMUNICATING

Challenges

- Jurisdictional variation
- Helping patients/consumers understand the value of data (beyond notice/consent)
- Who should be communicating to CEO and board?

Strategies & tactics

- Communicate wins with real-life examples
 - » Present published results (if available); rich detail (problems/ outcomes/proof); feature people
- Identify all the stakeholders and how to communicate with each
 - Understand motivations; build internal + external feedback loops (e.g., focus groups)
- Ensure regular touchpoints with stakeholders and anticipate questions
 - Anticipate needs; frequent/ transparent comms
 (e.g., Quarterly Board meetings, internal newsletter)

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