Americans with Disabilities Act 508 Refresh Compliance

The ADA 508 Refresh went into effect January 1, 2018. When government agencies develop, procure, maintain, or use Information and Communication Technologies (ICT), they ensure that the technology and services allow employees and members of the public with disabilities access to and use of information and data that is comparable to that by employees and members of the public who are not individuals with disabilities. The term ICT includes, but is not limited to: software, web-based applications, telecommunications products (such as telephones) and call center technologies, information kiosks and transaction machines, PDFs and electronic documents, and HTML forms, Internet/Intranet sites, multimedia, remote access technologies, computer-based training, mobile applications, social media, Webinar and Webcast applications, Web 2.0, and office equipment such as copiers, scanners, multifunction devices, portable media devices, fax machines, computers and printers.

ADA 508 REFRESH AWARENESS

- Develop a 508 accessibility roadmap and team
- Review available resources and checklists for internet and intranet sites' compliance
- Educate staff on new requirements and how to review and create/convert existing resources for compliance
- Review best practices for universal design for learning
- Partner with WebAIM as well as Shipman and Goodwin LLC for face-to-face and online workshops

ADA 508 REFRESH ASSISTANCE

- Create documents and resources (e.g., video) for compliance
- Convert existing documents and resources for compliance
- Review ICT resources for Web Contact Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG 2.0)

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