

## APPENDIX – Requirements regarding handling of data breaches

### Section A - Background

1. For the avoidance of doubt, the terms “**Data Breach**” and “**MOHT Personal Data**” used in this Appendix are as defined in this Agreement.
2. Some examples of Data Breach are illustrated below:
  - (a) Loss of physical means on which MOHT Personal Data is stored (collectively referred to as “**Storage Devices**”). Examples of such Storage Devices include computer notebooks, mobile devices such as mobile phones or tablets, data storage devices such as thumb drives, and paper records of MOHT Personal Data.
  - (b) Unauthorised access or disclosure of MOHT Personal Data by Vendor Personnel.
  - (c) Sending and/or disclosing of MOHT Personal Data to wrong recipients e.g. through email or to physical address.
  - (d) Improper disposal of MOHT Personal Data.
  - (e) Hacking of electronic Storage Devices.
  - (f) Theft of Storage Devices.
  - (g) Exploitation of errors or bugs in programming code of the Vendor’s websites and/or databases by unauthorised third parties resulting in unauthorised access of MOHT Personal Data.

### Section B - Obligations

3. The Vendor agrees to handle Data Breaches in compliance with the relevant guidelines issued by the Personal Data Protection Commission (“**PDPC Guidelines**”), the relevant requirements set out in the policies relating to data breaches as may be issued by the Ministry of Health from time to time (the “**MOH Policies**”), and any and all policies, guidelines, notices and circulars relating to data breaches which MOHT may from time to time notify in writing to the Vendor (“**MOHT Circulars**”). The PDPC Guidelines have been taken in consideration in the drafting and implementation of the MOHT Circulars.
4. Parties also agree to comply with the requirements set out below in relation to the handling of Data Breaches. In the event of a conflict between the obligations set out below, the PDPC Guidelines applicable at the time of the Data Breach, and the MOH Policies applicable at the time of the Data Breach, the conflict shall be resolved in the following order of priority: (1) the MOH Policies; (2) the MOHT Circulars; (3) PDPC Guidelines; (4) the obligations set out below.

#### **(a) NOTIFICATION TO MOHT**

In the event that the Vendor is aware of a Data Breach in respect of MOHT Personal Data, the Vendor shall immediately notify MOHT.

Such notification should be made to MOHT no later than twenty-four (24) hours from the time the Vendor first becomes aware of the Data Breach. The notification form template is provided in Annex A below. For the avoidance of doubt, MOHT reserves the right to amend the notification form template in Annex A from time to time PROVIDED ALWAYS that the notification form template complies with and is subject to the MOH Policies, including but not limited to the HealthTech Instruction Manual. Any amendments to the notification form template made by MOHT shall be notified in writing to the Vendor.

#### **(b) CONTAINMENT OF DATA BREACH**

The Vendor should take immediate steps to contain the Data Breach. This typically means that any further access to or disclosure of MOHT Personal Data affected by the Data Breach should be limited to authorised persons who need such access or disclosure to rectify or mitigate the Data Breach. Examples of steps which may be taken to contain the Data Breach include:

- a) Shutting down and/or isolating the system(s) which was involved in the Data Breach; and
- b) Stopping practices and processes that led to the Data Breach.

The Vendor shall notify MOHT as soon as practicable regarding the steps it has taken to contain the Data Breach.

**(c) PROVIDING ASSISTANCE AND COOPERATION**

The Vendor shall work closely with MOHT to remedy and mitigate the Data Breach, and shall provide relevant updates to MOHT regarding its response to the Data Breach as soon as practicable.

The Vendor shall also provide all necessary assistance and cooperation to MOHT in relation to any investigation of the Data Breach conducted by MOHT and/or any claim, allegation, action, proceeding or litigation involving MOHT which arises out of or in connection with the Data Breach.

**(d) EVALUATION AFTER RESOLUTION OF THE DATA BREACH**

After the Data Breach has been resolved, the Vendor and MOHT shall share findings with one another regarding how to prevent future Data Breaches. Such findings may include:

- (a) assessment of the need to implement or to continue with any remediation actions and/or correction actions;
- (b) identification of areas of weakness and the actions needed to strengthen such areas; and
- (c) assessment of the effectiveness of the response(s) to the Data Breach.