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Clarifications to Training Providers on the Revised Advisory Guidelines on the Personal Data Protection Act for NRIC and other National Identification Numbers

1. This Circular is to provide clarity to Training Providers on the revised Advisory Guidelines on the Personal Data Protection Act (PDPA) for NRIC and other National Identification Numbers issued by the Personal Data Protection Commission (PDPC), which takes effect from 1 Sep 2019.
2. Public agencies in Singapore and organisations acting on their behalf are exempted from the Data Protection Provisions of the PDPA.
3. NRIC is a necessary data field which SSG collects for proper governance of training grant disbursement.
4. Trainees applying for SkillsFuture Funding are to provide their physical NRICs for the purpose of identification and collection of NRIC number and other personal details required to maintain accurate, complete and up-to-date records. However, SSG does not require Training Providers to keep photocopies (or scanned copies) of trainees' NRIC, or to retain trainees' physical NRIC.
5. For Training Providers' compliance, please. Thank you.