

Artificial Intelligence and CMMI

Addressing CMMI Intellectual Property AI Usage Restrictions

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is becoming an increasingly prevalent source of information and a vital tool in business conduct. While there are advantages to AI, there are also risks when factoring in concerns of intellectual property (IP). Therefore, CMMI Institute has implemented policy and guidelines concerning AI usage that govern the rules surrounding AI applications regarding CMMI IP. Given the rising interactions between CMMI IP users and AI, it is imperative for CMMI community members to understand and adhere to CMMI Institute's regulations and requirements to protect the quality and integrity of the CMMI brand. Therefore, this Quality Tip aims to centralize and clarify CMMI Institute's rules and requirements surrounding AI usage relative to CMMI IP.

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