The University of Texas System (UT System) seeks a distinguished security executive to serve as its next Chief Information Security Officer (CISO). This is an outstanding opportunity to lead information security at one of the largest public university systems in the nation and the world. Established in 1876, the UT System consists of nine academic institutions and five health institutions serving over 255,000 students. The system CISO is a highly visible position and has a key role in protecting and ensuring UT System's ability to fulfill its mission and priorities in support of education, research and health care.

Reporting to the Chief Risk Officer, the CISO serves as the enterprise information security leader and provides strategic direction and support across the UT System. The CISO manages information security for the UT System Administration organization and works collaboratively with the UT academic and health institutions to advance their information security programs. The CISO will develop strong relationships with the campus CISOs and CIOs as well as leadership, faculty, clinicians, researchers, and other stakeholders to ensure accountability for the protection of information resources and privacy throughout the UT System.

The CISO will develop strategies for implementing effective security practices including advocacy for resources and funding for initiatives and services at UT System institutions. The CISO will oversee and coordinate the development of systemwide information security policies, standards and metrics. The role will assist UT System institutions in implementing and maintaining information security programs and action plans.

The successful candidate will be a strategic executive with a proven track record of leading information security in a large, complex organization. Experience working in a federated organization within higher education, healthcare and/or another regulated industry is ideal. The CISO will be able to engage and influence a diverse group of stakeholders and establish relationships with leaders and staff across the system. This position requires a politically savvy, visible, and collaborative leader with excellent communication skills, interacting effectively at all levels including the Board of Regents and state legislature. The CISO will serve as a liaison to UT System academic and health institutions to facilitate exchange of latest information security updates and trends, while also providing guidance and advocacy to leadership regarding information security and privacy issues, risks, and mitigation strategies.

Inquiries, nominations, and applications are invited. Please direct a resume and a cover letter expressing interest in the role to Nick Giannas or Scott Dethloff via the WittKieffer Candidate Portal here.

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