

Mailman IT Alert, June '11

Due to increasing security concerns, the University no longer allows employees to use remote desktop access software, such as GoToMyPC or LogMeIn, to access their work computers remotely. Instead, it requires that you use your computer's "terminal services" capability and the VPN.

Therefore, if you are currently using third party remote access software, please discontinue the practice immediately and contact your IT technician via 5Help for support in configuring the terminal services feature.

You should also be aware that if you use thumb drives or other external hard drive to transport data between machines and any of that data is classified as "sensitive," you are *required* to have your drive encrypted. Again, please speak with your IT technician about getting your drive encrypted as necessary.

You can learn what constitutes "sensitive" data here:

http://policylibrary.columbia.edu/files/policylib/imce_shared/sification_Policy_appendix_B_-_revised_12-10.pdf. Make sure you read the appendices.

To view the full IT policy library, visit:

<http://policylibrary.columbia.edu/a-to-z-index-D-listing>

You should also view the additional School-specific policies and guidelines on our Website: <http://www.mailman.columbia.edu/faculty-staff/administrative-offices/information-technology-online-resources/it-guidelines-policies>.