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Only Government Rewards Misbehavior

Welcome to the Health Freedom Minute. This is Twila Brase, president of Citizens’ Council for Health Freedom.

Science Applications International Corporation has an $11 million dollar data contract with the Pentagon. One careless employee recently allowed the private medical records of 4.9 million members of the military to be stolen. Although the worker was supposed to expeditiously transfer this private data from one federal facility to another, the worker left the computerized data in the car for most of the day in downtown San Antonio. A thief took the data.

The data, which includes names, addresses, diagnoses, treatments, and perhaps social security numbers, was not encrypted.

Two weeks later, this same corporation announced that it had received another $15 million contract with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Only the government would financially reward such misbehavior with a second contract.

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