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Kate Godfrey is a C-level compliance and legal executive with almost 20 years of experience advising life sciences companies in high growth transformations. Today, she is the Global Chief Compliance Officer for Karl Storz Endoscopy, a medical technology company with 70 subsidiaries in over 40 countries. Founded in 1945 in Tuttlingen, Germany, Karl Storz has grown to ~9,000 employees and more than 15,000 products and is recognized as an international leader in the world of endoscopy. In her current role, Kate designed, drove, and oversaw the implementation and operation of a robust company-wide corporate compliance program for the Americas, and now expanding globally, to prevent and detect noncompliance with laws and regulations, unethical behavior, and/or criminal conduct.

Before joining Karl Storz, Kate spent almost five years in Diagnostics as the Chief Compliance and Privacy Officer at Veracyte, Inc., and Adaptive Biotechnologies; the latter which she helped not only build the compliance and privacy programs for, but also take the company from early commercial stage to multi-product and navigate growth from \$3B to \$7B in market cap and from 200 to 800 employees. Kate is also versed in the structure and complexity of big pharma as she spent 8 years at Roche/Genentech in roles with increasing responsibility, building out a global compliance program within various Roche HQ sites.

She has both US and European compliance certifications and maintains a license to practice law in the state of Washington. In her spare time, she tries to raise awareness for epilepsy and SUDEP (Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy) through running events and social media, using the tag #run4joshua, as she lost her 6-year-old son last year to this disease and wants to educate others to try and prevent deaths by seizures.