Compliance Primer & How to Make the Most of PCF

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- Provides a high-level overview and reference of relevant terminology & resources;
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Our Agenda

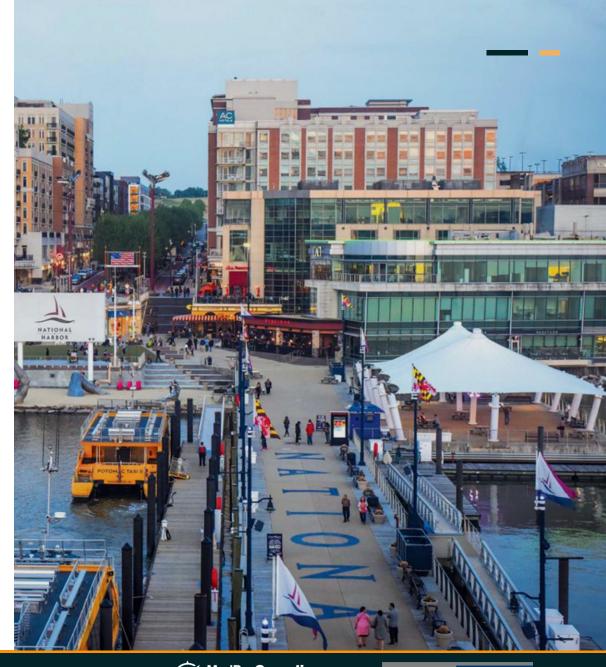
Welcome & Introductions

Basic Laws, Regulations and Effective Compliance Overview

Compliance Hot Topics and Recent DOJ & OIG Guidance

How to Make the Most of PCF

Q&A







Audience Survey

How Long Have You Worked in Healthcare Compliance?

What Is the Scope of Your Organization's Disclosure Requirements?

Which Industry Type Best Describes Your Company?

Less than one year

US Only

Biotech Manufacturer

One to three years

US and International

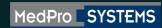
Pharmaceutical Manufacturer

More than three years

Medical Device Manufacturer







Basic Laws and Regulations

Anti-Kickback Statue (AKS) vs. Eliminating Kickbacks in Recovery Act (EKRA) vs. Travel

Do not induce or reward business reimbursable by....

False Claims Act (FCA)

Do not lie to the government by submitting false claims...

Federal and Jurisdictional
Transparency Reporting Requirements

Do not hide transfers of value from the government...

Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act or FDCA)

Do not injure consumers with your products...

Seven Elements of an Effective Compliance Program

Designated Compliance Officer & Committee

Written Policies & Procedures

Effective Training & Education

Effective Lines of Communication

Internal Monitoring & Auditing

Incentives & Disciplinary Measures

Investigations & Remedial Measures

Additional Considerations:

- Third Party Risk Management
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Transparency
- Industry Codes & Internal Policies

SOURCE: Compliance Program Guidance (2003) | US Office of the Inspector General for the Department of Health and Human Services (OIG)

Overall Compliance Program Effectiveness

Is Your Compliance Program Well Designed?

- Risk Assessment
- Written Policies & Procedures
- Effective Training & Communications
- Confidential Reporting Structure & Investigation Process
- Third Party Management
- Mergers & Acquisitions

Is Your Program Adequately Resourced & Empowered?

- Commitment by Senior
 & Middle Management
- Autonomy & Resources
- Compensation Structure & Consequence Management

Does Your Compliance Program Work in Practice?

- Continuous Improvement, Periodic Testing, & Review
- Investigation of Misconduct
- Analysis & Remediation of Any Underlying Misconduct



Ephemeral Messaging Apps



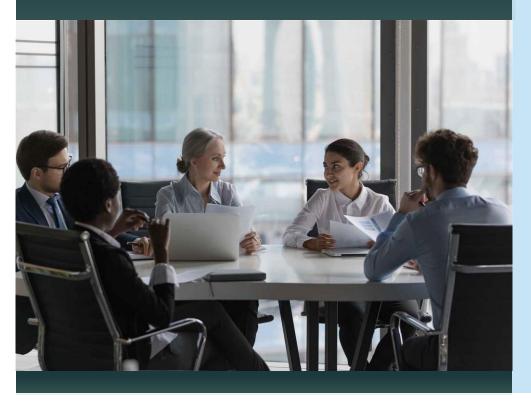
- Updated March 2023, US DOJ, Criminal Division,
 "Evaluation of Corporate Compliance Programs"
- August 8, 2023, New DOJ Guidance on Corporate Compliance and Third-Party Messaging Platforms
- What the courts (federal and state) have to say?
 - Fast v. GoDaddy.com LLC, No. CV-20-01448-PHX-DGC (D. Ariz. Feb. 3, 2022)
 - Stay updated!

Research and Clinical Trial Fraud



- Deputy Assistant Attorney General Arun G. Rao at the Food & Drug Law Institute's (FDLI) 2021 Enforcement, Litigation and Compliance Conference (Dec. 9, 2021)
 - "Fabricated clinical trial data can have dangerous consequences if relied upon by the FDA, drug researchers and medical doctors when making material decisions about the safety, efficacy and clinical use of drug products."
- What the courts (federal and state) have to say?
 - USA v. Valdes, Font, Lopez and Tejeda (S.D. Fl. Feb. 23, 2021)
 - For details see, 'Tellus Clinical Research, Inc.'
 - Unlimited Medical Research, LLC, Dr. Yvelice Villaman Bencosme and Dr. Lisett Raventos (Miami, Florida)
 - Stay updated!

To Disclose or Not to Disclose?



- DOJ continually seeks to encourage and incentive corporate entities to identify and investigate corporate misconduct through the operation of robust and effective corporate compliance programs, and then to promptly disclose the misconduct to the government.
- Good news: The government is ultimately seeking to motivate corporate entities to prioritize and fund corporate compliance efforts and work!
- The messages are loud and clear and will keep coming!
- But actual decisions to disclose or not disclose are complicated and nuanced – and should be considered most carefully.

Monitoring and Auditing



What is the Difference?

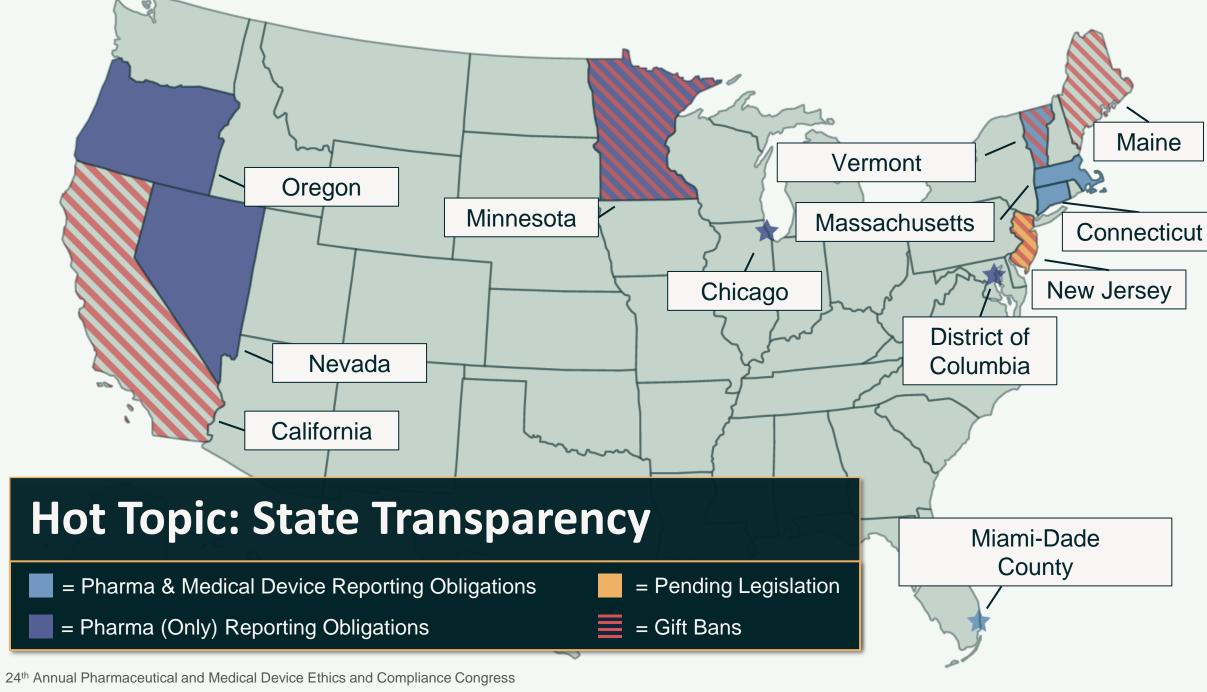
Monitoring Activities, Participants and Interactions

- Attendance and Participation
- Debarment

- Attending the Event
- Ride-Along

Auditing Activities, Participants and Interactions

- Auditing Data
- Auditing
 Documentation
- Third Parties



State Trend: Focus on Interactions



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- No reportable spend threshold
- Requires registered reps to report the location & duration of interactions with healthcare providers

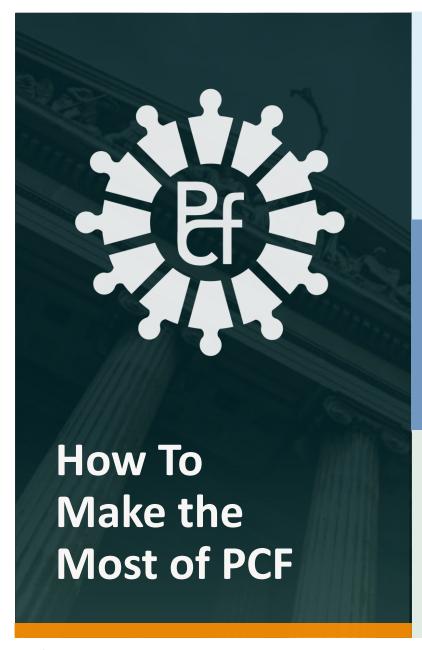
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- The number of contacts
 reps had with prescribing
 practitioners and pharmacists
- Materials or gifts of any value provided to a prescribing practitioner (including staff) or a pharmacist.

NEW JERSEY

- A list of all HCPs they contacted within the state;
- The number of times an HCP was contacted;
- The location & duration of each contact;





Network, Network, Network

Visit the Vendors

Be Present and Actively Participate at Sessions

Talk to the Speakers
(Even the Ones from the Government)

Connect on LinkedIn and Follow Up After the Conference

Go to the PCF Annual Members Meeting (typically in March)

Stay Connected



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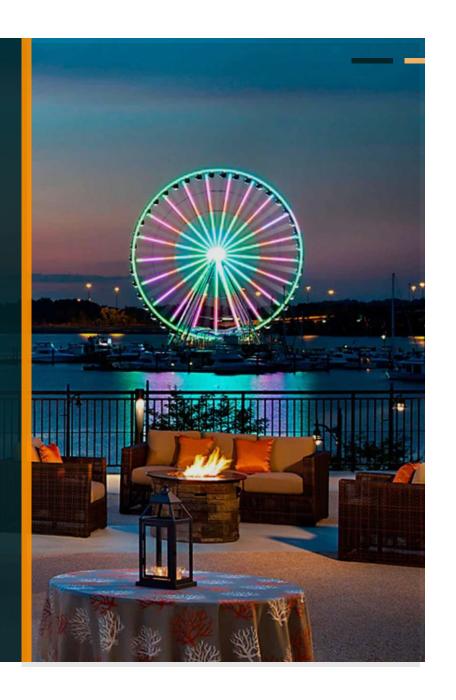
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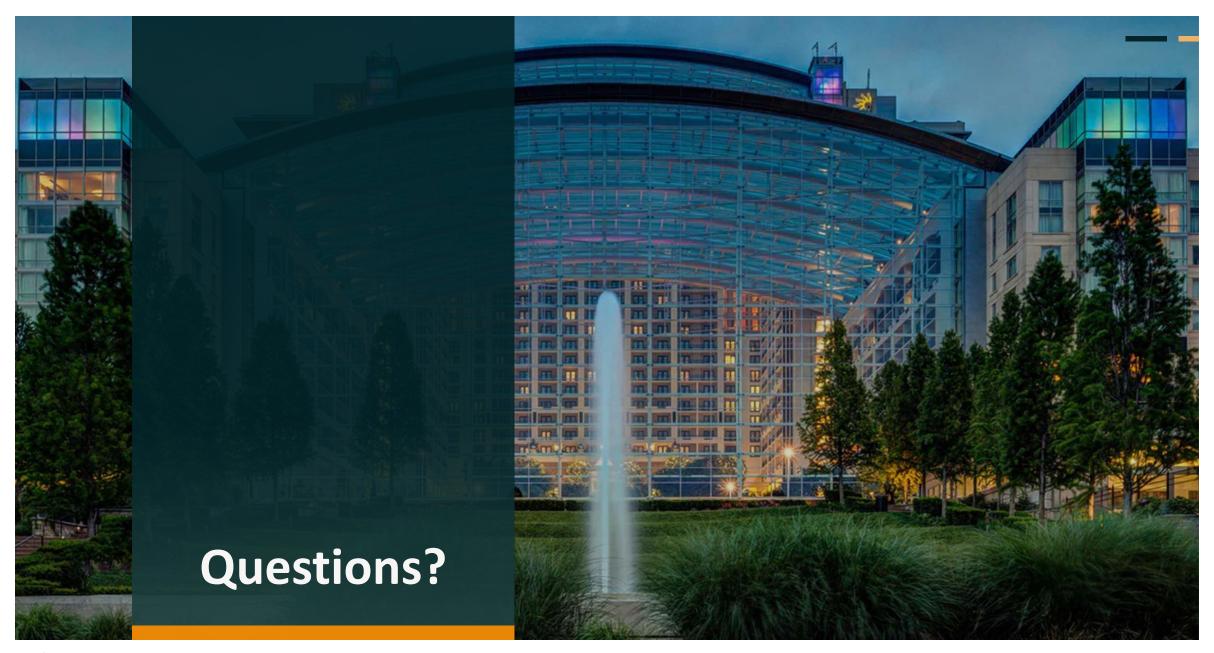
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