



# Laws Affecting Tax-Exempt Status and Public Meetings

Webinar #100218-IA

# DATE AND TIME

October 2, 2018 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. CT

# **OVERVIEW**

This session will provide an overview of the federal tax exemption laws that govern a hospital's activities, as well as which hospital records are open to the public. Participants will also discuss additional public records and public meetings laws that impact governmental hospitals. Participants will receive an introduction to the civil rights obligations of hospitals to provide access to hospital services for patients who have hearing or visual impairment or for whom English is a second language. Enforcement against hospitals that have not provided meaningful access to services for these populations will be covered. Finally, the speaker will summarize Certificate of Need (CON) requirements that apply to hospitals and recent CON decisions of importance to hospitals.

# **TARGET**

CEOs, CFOs, compliance officers, board members and legal counsel.

# **OBJECTIVES**

- 1. Learn about the federal laws that govern tax exempt hospital's activities.
- 2. Explain a hospital's obligations for compliance with federal tax exemption laws.
- 3. Understand which records of a hospital are public and where the public can access this information.
- 4. Describe the obligations of hospitals under federal civil rights laws to provide meaningful access to individuals with impairments and who speak English as a second language.
- 5. Analyze Iowa's CON laws and recent decisions that have impacted hospitals.

# **FACULTY**

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Alissa Smith's regulatory practice includes the interpretation and application of state and federal fraud and abuse laws, Medicare and Medicaid rules including payment rules, Medicare Part D regulations, and provider-based regulations, tax-exemption laws, HIPAA and privacy laws, EMTALA laws, licensing and accreditation matters, employment laws, governmental audits and open records and open meetings matters. She also assists with corporate and health system governance issues, including the preparation of policies and procedures, the revision and negotiation of medical staff bylaws, establishing corporate existence including preparing operating agreements and other governance documents, and in assisting in all aspects of participation in accountable care organizations including assisting with the legal structures, policies and procedures and the application process required for participation in the Medicare Shared Savings Program.

# **PRICE**

\$195 per connection for members. \$390 per connection for non-members.

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