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Operationalizing Compliance with the New Nondiscrimination Requirements Under Section 1557 the ACA

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September 26, 2017
12:30 - 1:30 p.m. CT

OVERVIEW

Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act (entitled "Nondiscrimination") prohibits discrimination in healthcare on the basis of race, color, national origin, disability, age, and sex. Section 1557 is the first civil rights law to specifically target the healthcare industry, and the first civil rights law to prohibit discrimination on the basis of "sex" in healthcare.

Under HHS's regulation, healthcare providers must also take immediate action for compliance. Specifically, providers that accept federal financial assistance must : 1) adopt a grievance procedure to resolve complaints of discrimination; 2) designate an employee responsible for compliance with Section 1557; and 3) post nondiscrimination notices (in multiple locations), along with short "tag-lines" that must be translated into the top 15 languages spoken in the relevant state.

This presentation will therefore summarize the legal landscape under Section 1557 and its regulation, review recent legal developments and litigation, and detail practical steps that healthcare providers should take to minimize risk and achieve compliance.

OBJECTIVES

- Discuss the legal prohibitions, requirements, and risks under the Affordable Care Act's nondiscrimination provisions.
- List concrete steps and best practices for operationalizing compliance with Section 1557's regulation and minimizing risk associated with Section 1557.

TARGET AUDIENCE

Healthcare providers, including nurses, physician assistants, and physicians. Hospital and health system executives, including chief diversity officers. In-house counsel for healthcare providers, including compliance and litigation counsel.

FACULTY

Tobi Morgan, Director of Compliance
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Tobi is responsible for developing and implementing EHC's nondiscrimination compliance programs, coordinating nondiscrimination policies across the system relating to compliance and the promotion of opportunities for patients with disabilities and for anti-discrimination in the provision of health care services. She is also responsible for overseeing the investigation of patient complaints and grievances, education of staff and physicians and the implementation of all aspects of patient nondiscrimination on an operational level.

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Drew Stevens is a member of the Hospital and Health Systems Industry Team, as well as the Long-Term Care Industry Team. In his healthcare practice, Drew regularly assists in the defense of healthcare providers in False Claims Act investigations and litigation brought by the Department of Justice.

Tobi nor Drew has no real or perceived conflicts of interest that relate to this presentation.

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