

What are the three things an effective compliance program can bring to your organization?

Enhance your organizations operations, improve quality of care and reduce overall costs. (OQC-Operations, Quality and Costs)

What are the three main categories of OIG guidance?

1. CPG's (Compliance Program Guidances)
2. Special Fraud Alerts, Special Advisory Bulletins and Other Guidance
3. Advisory Opinions

What are the three roles of a health care board member?

1. Compliance oversight.
2. Structuring your compliance program
3. Evaluating effectiveness of the compliance standards and processes.

What are three important reasons for proper documentation?

1. Protect our programs.
2. Protect your patients.
3. Protect the Provider.

When considering self-disclosure, take the following three steps:

1. Clarify the issue and confirm it is a potential fraud issue.
2. Consult with a health care attorney who has experience with federal health care programs.
3. Decide where to disclose - US Attorney's Office; CMS especially for Stark Law violations. OIG has protocol.

What can an effective compliance program do?

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What are common health care risk areas?

Coding, contracts, and quality of care.

Name two incentives for disclosing misconduct to OIG

Lower settlement and no corporate integrity agreement as long as provider fully cooperates with the disclosure process

True or False. A good compliance program will identify problems from time to time, if it doesn't, that's a sign that what you're doing is NOT effective.

True

Seven basic elements for a fundamental compliance program.

1. Written Policies and Procedures
2. Compliance Professional
3. Effective Training
4. Conduct audits
5. Identify Problems
6. Enforce Standards
7. Prompt Response to Issues

What 3 things can Boards of Directors promote in an organization?

1. Economy
2. Efficiency
3. Effectiveness

What is an advisory opinion?

An advisory opinion is a special process that allows parties to seek formal and binding legal guidance from the OIG about specific business arrangements, and it offers legal protection from prosecution for (only) the party who made the request. Advisory opinions also serve as excellent guidance to others

The OIG's mission is what?

Fight fraud, waste & abuse in the Medicare/Medicaid programs.

What is the OIG's Fraud and Abuse hotline number?

1-800-HHS-TIPS

What are the three steps to take when you discover a violation of federal fraud and abuse laws?

1. Clarify and confirm potential fraud
2. Consult with health care attorney
3. Decide where to disclose the conduct.

What are the 2 types of exclusions?

Mandatory and Permissive

What Act included a new requirement that providers repay identified overpayments to Medicare and Medicaid within 60 days or be subject to penalties?

The Affordable Care Act

T or F: An excluded individual is automatically reinstated at the end of an exclusion term

F: An excluded individual must apply for reinstatement at the end of their exclusion term.

A compliance program at its most basic level

A set of internal policies and procedures that you put into place to help your organization comply with the law.