

Courses- 2009 Health Care Compliance Certification Program

Fall

Introduction to Health Care Compliance Policies and Procedures

(2 credits) Lucinda Jesson

This course will cover the basic fundamentals of health care compliance administration, examining written compliance policies and procedures, descriptions of compliance oversight and committees, enforcement and reporting requirements, screening of employees and vendors, negotiating and enforcing corporate integrity agreements, and billing and coding basics. It will incorporate hands-on learning throughout the curriculum including drafting assignments, small group exercises, interviewing skills, and project management tasks.

Health Care Compliance Laws and Regulations

(3 credits) Barbara Colombo

This course is designed to give students a practical understanding of the laws and regulations encountered by compliance professionals in daily practice. The key objective of this course is learning how to apply a range of statutory, regulatory, and common law principles to a variety of compliance situations. Students will utilize legal principles and theory through a variety of simulation-based exercises.

Alternatives for JD Students: The alternatives to taking Health Care Compliance Laws and Regulations are: **1) Health Law Organization and Finance AND HIPAA Privacy OR 2) Health Law Organization and Finance AND Health Care Quality and Liability.**

Spring

Health Care Compliance Skills: Auditing, Investigating, and Reporting

(3 credits), co-taught by Keith Halleland and Jennifer O'Brien

This course is designed to expose students to key legal and operational concepts in the health care corporate compliance field. Students will use knowledge gained in prior mandatory coursework and participate in simulation-based projects that will require them to perform audits, investigations, and reporting activities to ensure compliance with applicable federal and state laws.

Governance and Ethics in Health Care Compliance

(2 credits), co-taught by David Orbuch & David Schultz

Our health care system is plagued with high costs and inconsistent outcomes. This class will focus on the role of Boards of Directors in meeting these and other health care challenges. In addition to outlining governance structure and responsibilities, the course will review both the current state and federal laws that apply to our health care system, as well as tax policy with respect to tax exemptions for charitable entities and detail how that tax exemption is conferred. Special attention will be given to not-for-profit, as well as for-profit entities and the unique ethical and governance issues presented by various organizational structures.

Electives

(2 credits)

Two additional credits are required to earn a Certificate in Health Care Compliance. These elective credits are designed to give students the opportunity to individually select coursework of interest. Students may fulfill this requirement by selecting health related coursework offered through the traditional semester format or by taking advantage of courses offered during the condensed January term (J-Term) or summer schedule.

Possible courses for electives include but are not limited to:

- Complimentary and Alternative Medicine and the Law
- Elder Law
- Food and Drug Law
- Health Care Fraud and Abuse
- HIPAA Privacy
- Law and Bioethics
- Patients' Rights
- Reproductive Technology and the Law