



2024 Ohio Council Compliance & Quality Conference - Detailed Day 1 Agenda

Tuesday March 5, 2024

09:00 AM - 04:30 PM

Crowne Plaza - Worthington

6500 Doubletree Avenue
Columbus, OH 43229

Description: The business of behavioral health care is in constant transition, as rules, regulations, laws, certifications, and audit processes are regularly updated. The Ohio Council's 2-day in-person Compliance and Quality Conference will review administrative and clinical compliance topics necessary for quality treatment provision, including: anti-trust regulations, telehealth requirements, labor and employment law updates, payer audits, documentation best practices, clinical quality metrics, Medicare changes, and best practices related to medical and recreational cannabis. The Ohio Council of Behavioral Health & Family Services Providers is an approved provider for Ohio Counselors, Social Workers (Provider #RSC058802), Chemical Dependency Professionals (Provider #50-18966), and Psychologists (Provider #310951018). Day 1 of the conference provides 5.5 continuing education units, including 4.5 hours that meets ethics requirements

Training Objectives:

- Participants will be able to identify potential areas of risk for behavioral health provider organizations that are most likely to trigger an audit, recommendations for best practices to avoid risk and ensure compliance with state and federal regulations, and will be equipped with information to prepare for an audit with various regulating entities.
- Participants will be provided with current information on state and federal laws impacting behavioral health organizations and the patients they serve.

Day 1 Agenda

9:00 AM - 9:15 AM **Opening Remarks / Introductions**

9:15 AM - 10:30 AM **Payer Audits, Self-Reporting Overpayments, and Provider Revalidations (1.25 Hours of Ethics)**

This session will provide a start-to-finish framework of best practices for responding to a payer audit, beginning with responding to a request for records, and concluding with an overview of the process for disputing a formal demand for repayment. We will discuss how providers should analyze self-identified compliance issues to determine whether reporting an overpayment is required, and the process for self-reporting to payers, particularly the Ohio Department of Medicaid. Finally, we will discuss what providers need to know to best navigate the provider revalidation process.

Presenters: Suzanne Scrutton, JD, Liam Gruz, JD; and Sydney Pahren, JD - Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease, LLP

10:30 AM - 10:45 AM Break

10:45 AM - 12:00 PM Antitrust (1.25 Hours of Ethics)

As providers continue to seek to achieve efficiencies and cost-savings, they need to be aware of the rules and parameters defining permissible combinations and joint activities under state and federal antitrust law. This session will cover the basic rules of the road and traps for the unwary in the antitrust context with a particular focus on guardrails regarding disclosure of wage and benefits information, as well as limits on the ability to share contracting information, including the details of managed care contracts and rates.

Presenter: Jim Wilson, JD - Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease, LLP

12:00 PM - 1:15 PM Lunch

1:15 PM - 2:15 PM Labor and Employment Law Updates

This session will dive into a variety of thorny employment issues, including exempt/non-exempt employee classification, employee v. independent contractor classification, benefit disparity for different employees, and other hot topics.

Presenter: Nelson Cary, JD - Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease, LLP

2:15 PM - 3:15 PM Telehealth (1 Hour of Ethics)

This session will explore the numerous regulatory and reimbursement limitations that apply to the remote delivery of health care. We will provide an update on the current state of HIPAA and 42 CFR Part 2, requirements related to remote prescribing, and an overview of best practices when providing telehealth, including scope of practice considerations and clinical documentation.

Presenters: Liam Gruzs, JD and Sydney Pahren, JD - Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease, LLP

3:15 PM - 3:30 PM Break

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM Medical and Recreational Marijuana Policies and Best Practices (1 Hour of Ethics)

This session will explore best practices for behavioral health organizations as treatment providers and employers related to cannabis policies.

Presenters: Jolie Havens, JD and Mike Griffaton, JD - Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease, LLP