Overview
Every hospital administrator’s worst nightmare is to have gun-toting federal agents show up at the hospital’s door (or even worse, at the door of your employees’ homes) with a search warrant, demanding to seize records and computers and to interview staff. It is essential that you know your rights and obligations in order to ensure that you respond appropriately while minimizing the impact on your hospital’s operations while you cooperate with the investigation. Having a policy that sets forth how your hospital should respond in such situations is an important part of being prepared.

Target Audience
Hospital Leadership, Compliance Officers, CIOs, Public Affairs Directors, Human Resource Directors, Security and Emergency Management, and In-house and External Legal Counsel

Objectives
1. Understand your rights in responding to a search warrant or other government investigation
2. Preparing staff in the event of a government investigation, including search warrant
3. Developing a hospital policy for responding to search warrants and other government investigations

Faculty
Chris Bennington is a partner in Bricker & Eckler’s Health Care Group. His practice focuses on representing managed care organizations and hospitals on matters involving fraud and abuse, privacy, regulatory compliance, Medicaid managed care and managed care contracting. Mr. Bennington also regularly provides general counsel services to the firm’s health care clients.

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Ilah Naudasher has over 15 years’ experience working in health care revenue cycle and compliance roles. Her career started working in the patient access and billing areas, evolving to roles such as the compliance officer, director of patient financial services and director of coding and compliance for a health care consulting company. She earned her bachelor’s degree from Bowling Green State University and her master’s degree from the University of Phoenix. Ms. Naudasher currently works for the Kettering Health Network as the network director of compliance operations. In that role, she has responsibility for regulatory compliance of all hospitals, SNF, clinics and employed physicians in the Kettering Health Network.

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