

WEBINAR: EMTALA AND PHYSICIAN ON-CALL REQUIREMENTS: ENSURING COMPLIANCE (T2736)



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Program Description

It is essential that every hospital, including critical access hospitals, be in compliance with the federal regulations and interpretive guidelines on EMTALA and the on-call physician requirements. Every hospital that has an emergency department and accepts Medicare and Medicaid patients must follow the federal law on EMTALA. There are stiff penalties for both the hospital and the physician for violating this law and also the possibility of exclusion from the Medicare program. Learn from an expert, strategies to ensure compliance with these regulations.

Objectives:

At the completion of this program, the participants will be able to:

1. Explain that hospitals must have specific names of physicians on call and not the group practice's name
2. Discuss that the hospital must maintain a list of physicians who are on call to evaluate emergency department physicians
3. Describe when the on call physician can consult by telephone or when are they required to physically come to the hospital

Program Topics:

- Modernization Act and 4 provisions for EMTALA
- QIO for determining medical standard of care
- CMS Technical Advisory Group
- Payment for on-call coverage
- Shared and community call plans
- Inpatient PPS EMTALA Changes
- OIG bulletins on on-call doctors
- OIG advisory bulletins on paying on-call physicians
- EMTALA Guidance Memos
- Where to find the EMTALA Law
- Essentials of Provider Agreements and on-call physicians
- CMS Interpretive Guidelines
- OIG CPG for hospitals recommends on-call physician education
- On-call list of physicians
- Relevant factors test
- CMS memos on on-call requirements and simultaneously on-call
- Responding within a reasonable time
- Policy and procedures
- Frequency of on-call physicians,
- Exemption for senior MS or recognition of years of service
- Maintaining on-call list
 - Can a physician refuse to come to the ED?
- What to do during no coverage periods
- Response time in minutes suggestion
- Response of non-physicians
- Telehealth and EMTALA
- Certificate to transfer
- Resignation of privileges
- Follow up care
 - If physician treats a patient while on call for the ED must they treat the patient again?
 - If the physician is on call must he treat the patient if patient was discharged for failure to pay the bill?
- Physician education
- Certification of false labor requirement

Target Audience: CEO, COO, CMO, CNO, Emergency Department Physicians, Managers, and Nurses, OB Managers and Nurses, Behavioral Health Directors and Staff, Psychiatrists, Nurse Supervisors, The Joint Commission Coordinators, Performance Improvement Directors, Risk Managers, Safety Officers, Compliance Officers, and Legal Counsel

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