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## What Employers Need to Know for 2019: Legislative Updates and Your General Compliance Calendar

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## **DESCRIPTION**

In 2019, employers are faced with new regulations issued by administrative agencies. This webinar will provide an update of laws and regulations that affect health and welfare benefit plans. We will also discuss an employer's general compliance calendar, including upcoming reporting deadlines, best practices for maintaining documents, and when to distribute notices and conduct plan testing.

## This webinar will:

- Briefly review new legislation and regulations that affect group health plans in 2019
- Alert employers to the IRS employer shared responsibility penalty assessment letters for the 2016 reporting year
- Remind employers of the upcoming Form 1094/1095 information return reporting deadlines
- Discuss the difference between active enrollment and passive enrollment
- Describe actions that an employer should take after renewal, including distribution of documents (such as the summary plan description, summary of benefits and coverage, or summary of material modification), nondiscrimination testing, and review of contracts to ensure that they match employer's expectations
- Discuss the timing of reporting and notices, including the Form 5500, summary annual report, ERISA notices, Medicare Part D creditable coverage disclosure, HIPAA notice of privacy practices, and wellness program notice
- Discuss the timing of the PCORI fee
- Briefly describe the electronic delivery rules
- Alert employers to the differences in timing of some disclosures when an employer is using a calendar year or a non-calendar plan year
- Discuss best practices for tracking notice distribution, including document retention periods

This 60-minute intermediate level webinar will provide employers with a legislative update and a summary of compliance tasks and deadlines for 2019.

## **PRESENTER**

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Lorie also represents employers in managing Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and Department of Labor (DOL) audits, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) compliance and fiduciary obligations. She serves clients in the public and private sector, including non-profit organizations and trade associations.

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