New OIG Advisory Opinion Impacts Pharmaceutical & Medical Device Company Funding of Continuing Education Programs



OIG Advisory Opinion 22-14 (June 29, 2022) could have significant implications for how life sciences companies (pharmaceutical, medical device, and diagnostics test makers) contribute towards continuing education ("**CE**") programs for healthcare providers ("**HCPs**"). Specifically, in AO 22-14, the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services Office of Inspector General ("**OIG**") rejects a Requestor's proposal to permit pharmaceutical and medical device industry sponsorship of a CE program for HCPs, noting that it could generate prohibited remuneration under the Federal Anti-Kickback Statute.

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