## 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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