

# [A Practical Look at OIG's New Compliance Guidance](#)



On November 6, 2023, for the first time in 15 years, HHS OIG issued a new reference guide for the health care compliance community - [the General Compliance Program Guidance, or GCPG](#). While the GCPG does not set new legal standards and largely reinforces existing guidance, it is a tremendous tool to help health care and life sciences companies advance their compliance efforts. Indeed, within its 91 pages, the GCPG provides the most comprehensive and user-friendly trove of health care compliance insights, tips, and guidance ever provided by the federal government.

Read the full alert [here](#).

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## [Seven Tips for Healthcare & Life Sciences Companies Engaging Independent Monitors and Compliance Experts](#)



For a healthcare or life sciences company settling a government enforcement action, the prospect of being subject to an independent monitor, independent review organization (IRO), or other government-mandated compliance expert may become a reality. (We collectively refer to all of these individuals and entities as monitors throughout this update.) Hiring an independent monitor is a sensitive topic, as a company subject to a monitorship is required to open up its records and files, financial information, proprietary and confidential materials, IT assets, and employees to a third party — often at frequent and regular intervals, and often for a period of five years — not to mention the potential multimillion-dollar

expense associated with the engagement.

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