

Advanced Benefit Consulting California and Federal Legislative & Regulatory **Updates for Human Resources Professionals**



Wednesday, May 7, 2025 10 am - 12 noon Pacific

Presenters: Dorothy Cociu and Marilyn Monahan



California Updates Include:

Pay Transparency Act Filings

Municipality Minimum Wage Increases & San Francisco Ordinances

Bills Introduced into the Legislature

Insurance Information & Privacy Protection Amendments ACA 1094/1095 Updates

Al Legislation Updates

Mandated Benefits Bills Updates, Including Fertility

Requirements

Federal Updates Include:

RxDC Reporting & HIOS Portal Demo **Executive Order Updates**

Updates on Fiduciary Court Cases & Braidwood

Decision

Corporate Transparency Updates Form 5500 Filing Update & Reminders

PCORI Fees & Form 720 Reminders

CAA Gag Clause Updates

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Program Course Descriptions/Summaries:

Session One (Federal Updates): Course Summary: In this course, the instructors will provide updates on recent developments from the Departments of Treasury, Labor, and Health and Human Services related to health and welfare benefits, as well as updates on new Executive Orders from the White House, updates of court cases related to ERISA Fiduciary responsibilities, an update on the Braidwood case and its impact on the ACA's preventive care mandate, and a discussion of the status of the Corporate Transparency Law. We will then provide an update on the upcoming CAA RxDC filing requirements for reference year 2024, provide an RxDC overview, and walk attendees through a CMS HIOS Portal Demo on the filing of RxDC submissions. The program will include a brief discussion on new and proposed updates to the HIPAA Privacy and Security Rules, including the HIPAA Reproductive Rights requirements effective December 23, 2024 and the proposed amendments to the HIPAA Security Rule. We will then provide reminders of upcoming deadlines, such as the Form 5500, PCORI fees, and the Form 720. The instructors will discuss the latest updates on ACA reporting (IRS Forms 1094/1095), as well as an update on the CAA Gag Clause Prohibitions & Attestations, as well as any additional federal updates relevant to Human Resources Professionals. This program has been pre-approved for 1 hour of HRCI General Credit toward aPHR®, aPHRi™, PHR®, PHRca®, SPHR®, GPHR®, PHRi™ and SPHRi™ recertification through HR Certification Institute® (HRCI®).

Session Two (State Updates): Course Summary: In this course, we will discuss the current status of passed and pending bills in California, and provide reminders of important Human Resources responsibilities and duties. The program will begin with a discussion of bills that were signed into law last year, but go into effect in July 2025 or later. This discussion will include a summary of those mandated benefit bills with delayed effective dates, such as mandatory coverage for fertility and infertility services. In addition to bills that have already passed the legislature, we will highlight newly introduced bills that are now pending in the legislature and that will impact group health plans and the insurance industry. These bills will include a discussion of pending mandated benefit bills, proposals to amend the Insurance Information and Privacy Protection Act, and related bills which impact the scope and administration of employee benefit plans. We will then turn to the workplace, and discuss new developments, upcoming deadlines, and bills of interest that are now making their way through the state legislature—including a discussion of various proposals relating to AI. As part of the discussion of the laws impacting the workplace, we will discuss Pay Transparency Act filings, including deadlines for filing, who needs to file pay data reports, and how commonly owned groups are affected, as well as what information needs to be reported. We will conclude with a brief discussion of upcoming developments at the municipal level, such as the July 1 minimum wage increases and any relevant updates on the San Francisco Ordinances impacting the workplace. Action items will be shared throughout. This program has been pre-approved for 1 hour of HRCI California Credit toward aPHR®, aPHR™, PHR®, PHRca®, SPHR®, GPHR®, PHRi™ and SPHRi™ recertification through HR Certification Institute® (HRCI®).

Speaker Mini-Bios

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