



LOUISIANA BOARD OF LEGAL SPECIALIZATION HEALTH LAW TOPICS

The following outline of subject matter knowledge is required for certification in the Health Law specialty:

1. Contracting & Fraud & Abuse

- 1.1 General health care contract issues
- 1.2 Louisiana and Federal anti-kickback prohibitions
- 1.3 Federal and Louisiana restrictions on physicians' referrals to health care entities
- 1.4 Federal and Louisiana ownership disclosure requirements
- 1.5 Acquisition and sale of health care providers and physician practices
- 1.6 Tax issues/tax exemptions
- 1.7 Civil, administrative and criminal sanctions
- 1.8 Compliance programs
- 1.9 Exclusion and disbarment
- 1.10 False Claims Act (Federal & State)

2. Provider Regulation

- 2.1 Facility Need Review Approval
- 2.2 Licensure
- 2.3 Medicare and Medicaid Certification
- 2.4 Accreditation
- 2.5 Administrative law and procedure

3. Institutional Operations & Patient Care

- 3.1 Informed consent
- 3.2 Privacy and confidential information
- 3.3 Medical Records
- 3.4 Advance Directives
- 3.5 Patient Rights
- 3.6 Disciplinary actions and reporting requirements
- 3.7 Risk management
- 3.8 Credentialing and professional peer review
- 3.9 Emergency hospital services requirements/ Anti-dumping prohibitions
- 3.10 Medical Staff governance and bylaws
- 3.11 Health information technology
- 3.12 HIPAA

4. Integration & Reimbursement

- 4.1 Integration and structure of delivery systems
- 4.2 Healthcare Antitrust
- 4.3 Managed care entities and contracting
- 4.4 Reimbursement and payment

- 4.5 Louisiana Medicaid program**
- 4.6 Medicare program**
- 4.7 Audits and appeals**