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Today's Agenda

Kerry Langan – (12:00 p.m.)

Welcome and Agenda

Samuel Wiles - (12 - 12:06 p.m.)

New York State's Effort to Replace the NLRB is Enjoined

Kaydeen Maitland – (12:05 – 12:15 p.m.)

• CMS SNF Revalidation : What Changed and What to Do Now

Timothy Bouffard – (12:15 – 12:25 p.m.) under the guidance of Kerry W. Langan

 New York State Requirements for College and University Policy Disclosures Involving Student Drug and Alcohol Violations and Health Emergencies

Anthony Levitskiy - (12:25 - 12:30 p.m.)

• The Constitutionality of New York's Relief for Employers Unaware of Weekly Pay Provision in the New York Labor Law

Kerry Langan - (12:30 p.m.)

Questions / Wrap Up



New York State's Effort to Replace the NLRB is Enjoined



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CMS SNF Revalidation: What Changed and What to Do Now



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CMS SNF Revalidation Update



CMS has indefinitely suspended the mandatory off cycle SNF provider enrollment revalidation deadline



Prior deadline had been extended to January 1, 2026



No new revalidation deadline has been announced



Background and Timeline



CMS substantially updated Form 855A effective October 1, 2024



As of December 2025, CMS has suspended the off cycle revalidation deadline indefinitely

Initial compliance efforts targeted May 1, 2025, later extended to August 1, 2025, and then to January 1, 2026





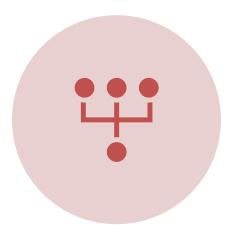
Scope of Impact







AFFECTS ENTITIES ENROLLING, REVALIDATING, REPORTING CHANGES, OR UNDERGOING CHANGES OF OWNERSHIP



EXPANDS DISCLOSURES TIED TO OWNERSHIP, GOVERNANCE, AND MANAGERIAL CONTROLS



Form 855A: Key Enhancements

Enhanced reporting on ownership, governance structures, and managerial control

Identification of board members, certain trustees, and managing employees

Detailed organizational diagrams showing ownership and control relationships



Additional Disclosable Parties (ADPs)







NEW REPORTING ON PARTIES THAT EXERCISE CONTROL OR PROVIDE SIGNIFICANT SERVICES INCLUDES CERTAIN CONTRACTORS AND OTHER SIGNIFICANT SERVICE PROVIDERS DESIGNED TO GIVE CMS VISIBILITY INTO ENTITIES WITH INFLUENCE OVER FACILITY OPERATIONS



Organizational Mapping and Documentation

Prepare Comprehensive diagrams reflecting ownership tiers and control pathways

Document relationships between the SNF and associated entities

Establish Establish version-controlled documentation for faster updates and attestations



Risk Considerations



Submission errors or incomplete disclosures can delay enrollment actions



Misalignment between corporate records and filings increases audit exposure



Changes of ownership require early planning to avoid transactional disruption

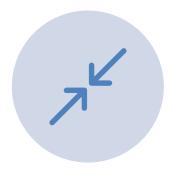


Action Plan During Suspension

- Continue preparing a complete, audit-ready 855A package
- Perform a gap assessment against new ownership, governance, and ADP requirements
- Maintain a standing revalidation file to enable rapid submission upon CMS notice



Key Takeaways...



DEADLINE SUSPENDED, NOT ELIMINATED—BE PREPARED FOR RENEWED ENFORCEMENT



ACCURACY AND COMPLETENESS OF OWNERSHIP AND ADP DATA ARE CRITICAL



PROACTIVE DOCUMENTATION AND READINESS REDUCE TIMING RISK WHEN CMS ANNOUNCES NEXT STEPS



CONTACT BOND FOR ANY ADVICE NAVIGATING THESE POTENTIAL CHANGES.



New York State Requirements for College and University Policy Disclosures Involving Student Drug and Alcohol Violations and Health Emergencies



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Brief Overview

- "Beau's Law" signed into law by Gov. Kathy Hochul on Dec. 5.
 (For more details, please visit this article on our website.)
- New law requires institutions to publish the policies under which parents will be notified when a student under 21 has an alcohol or controlled substance violation.
 - Includes hospitalizations and overdoses
- Also requires "regular" FERPA training.
- Takes effect July 1, 2026.



What Does FERPA Allow?

- Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act already allows, without a student's consent, disclosures:
 - o to parents about drug and alcohol violations when the student is under 21.
 - in any type of health and safety emergency.
- These disclosures are permissive and not required under FERPA.



What is a Health and Safety Emergency Under FERPA?

- Institutions may take into account the totality of the circumstances.
- They may make disclosures when they determine "there is an articulable and significant threat to the health or safety of a student."
- Deferential standard from the DoE where there is a rational basis.



Requirements Under the New Law

- NY institutions are required to share their policies on these disclosures – i.e., whether and when they are made.
- The law doesn't dictate what the policy must be, just that the institution has one and it is publicly available.



Key Policy Considerations

- Are notifications discretionary or mandatory in certain circumstances?
- Who will make this determination?
- How are parents informed, and how are students told about the disclosure?



New FERPA Training Requirements

- NY institutions must conduct regular FERPA training "related to health and safety emergencies and the impact on an institution's response to student alcohol or controlled substance-related hospitalizations or overdoses."
- Timing, parameters, and required attendees are left to the discretion of the institution.



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Sexual Harassment Prevention Training

To combat harassment in the workplace, every New York State employer must provide harassment prevention training for all employees annually.

For more information on Bond's online sexual harassment training click here or email bondonline@bsk.com



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