HEALTHCARE CORPORATE COMPLIANCE

Graduate Certificate Program

THE COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES and THE MILKEN INSTITUTE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

In partnership with the law firm of Feldesman Tucker Leifer Fidell LLP and in collaboration with the law firm of McDermott Will & Emery LLP

Online with two short-term residencies
CCB Accredited
Advance your CAREER

Impact the FUTURE of your Organization

Connect with LEADERS in the Field

“GW’s academic approach to this is far better than any of the typical seminars one attends to try to glean information on this very complex subject.”

Susan Belley (Alumna), Manager, 3M Health Information Services, Cleveland, Ohio
HEALTHCARE CORPORATE COMPLIANCE STARTS WITH YOU

In today’s complex healthcare climate, the most vital person in your organization is the one who helps navigate the requirements and laws that govern the healthcare industry. As the center of federal healthcare policy and enforcement, Washington provides the ideal backdrop for our program.

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AN EXCEPTIONAL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

Our program is designed for current and aspiring healthcare compliance professionals with diverse experience. Drawing from GW’s Department of Health Policy, the Milken Institute School of Public Health, and the Washington, DC, program offers education in healthcare laws and regulations as well as tools and strategies for creating effective corporate compliance programs.

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Designed for working professionals, the 12-credit Graduate Certificate in Healthcare Corporate Compliance provides students with a uniquely comprehensive view of healthcare corporate compliance. The course of study can be completed in approximately seven months and is divided into three segments:

INTRODUCTION TO HEALTHCARE CORPORATE COMPLIANCE (3 credits)

This course provides an intensive in-person/on-site overview of healthcare corporate compliance core elements and strategies for compliance plan development and implementation. It introduces key statutes, regulations, policy guidance, and enforcement initiatives that are the framework for developing a compliance program.

Featured Topics
• The “What and Why” of Healthcare Corporate Compliance
• Core Elements of a Healthcare Compliance Program
• Designing a Corporate Compliance Work-Plan
• Key Laws and Regulations Affecting Conduct of Healthcare Institutions and Providers

COMPLIANCE WITH SPECIFIC LAWS AND REGULATIONS: (Two 3 credit courses)

Six-month Online Learning Segment

These courses cover discrete compliance topics providing students with an in-depth exploration of the healthcare laws and regulations of particular importance to regulators and industry.

Featured Topics
• Understanding Key Federal Programs including Medicare & Medicaid
• Anti-Kickback Statute
• Stark Law
• Civil False Claims Act
• Governance and Corporate Responsibility
• Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA)
• Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)
• Federal Income Tax
• Federal Anti-Trust Law

CASE STUDIES IN HEALTHCARE CORPORATE COMPLIANCE (3 credits)

Three-day Capstone Residency back in Alexandria, VA

This course offers students the opportunity to apply the principles, laws, and regulations learned during the program. Utilizing a case study approach, students investigate and analyze compliance issues and test their diagnostic and remediation skills in applying this knowledge to real-world situations.

STACKABLE CREDENTIALS (transfer of credit)

Credits earned through the Graduate Certificate may be applied toward the Master of Public Health Degree in Health Policy, the MPH in Health Services Management & Leadership (HSML), and the MS in Health Policy for those students who meet the applicable admission criteria. Credits also may be applied to the GW Master of Professional Studies in Paralegal Studies with a concentration in Healthcare Corporate Compliance. Residential and online options available for these programs.

FACULTY

Core faculty are drawn from experts across The Milken Institute School of Public Health. Faculty also include representatives of a number of law firms with expertise in healthcare corporate compliance, including program partner Feldesman Tucker Leifer Fidell LLP and McDermott Will & Emery LLP. Guest speakers and panels include representatives from federal and state agencies that enforce key compliance-related laws and federal and/or state policymakers, representatives from the healthcare industry, experienced corporate compliance officers, and plaintiffs’ attorneys. For more detailed information, visit cps.gwu.edu/healthcare-compliance/faculty.
ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
Applicants should have earned an undergraduate degree, with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or higher, from a regionally accredited institution. Applicants with GPAs of 3.0 or higher in prior graduate degrees or graduate coursework, but with an undergraduate GPA below 3.0, are also eligible for admission. Applicants with an undergraduate GPA of less than 3.0 and no graduate coursework, but who otherwise meet the admission criteria may be admitted into the program provisionally.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES
Please visit cps.gwu.edu/healthcare-compliance/admissions for detailed application instructions. The application includes:
• Admissions application with non-refundable application fee
• Official or certified transcripts from each institution of higher education attended.
• Statement of purpose
• Current resume with education and work history
• Two professional or academic references, preferably one from a current supervisor
• Official results of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), or the academic International English Language Testing System (IELTS) or the academic Pearsons Test of English (PTE), if applicable.

The program is offered twice a year with the following application deadlines:
October 15: Spring
June 1: Fall

TUITION
Please visit cps.gwu.edu/healthcare-compliance/tuition for current tuition information.

FINANCIAL AID
Graduate certificate programs that are less than 18 credit hours do not qualify for Stafford loans or Graduate Plus loans. Please visit the GW graduate financial aid site at www.gwired.gwu.edu/finaid-g for more information about private/alternative loans as a financing option.

RESIDENCY ACCOMMODATIONS
GW arranges a group discount at a hotel near the Alexandria Graduate Education Center in Alexandria, VA. Students are responsible for the cost of travel, meals and accommodations.

AWARD WINNING PROGRAM
Our Healthcare Corporate Compliance Program is the recipient of the Compliance Certification Board’s 2007 Healthcare Compliance and Ethics Award.
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