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Telemedicine & Electronic Health Records Physician Opportunities & Exposures

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Government mandates and practical realities are placing new pressures on physicians and other health care providers to use telemedicine and electronic health records strategically. While recent Federal guidance provides new opportunities for physicians and other health care providers to work together to develop telemedicine and electronic health records strategies, many legal and operational traps remain.

Attorney Cynthia Marcotte Stamer will address leading emerging telemedicine and electronic health record strategies for physicians and their risks and opportunities on October 4, 2007 at the Physician Practice Compliance Conference to be hosted by the Health Care Compliance Association in Philadelphia, PA. A widely published author and popular speaker on health care matters, Ms. Stamer has consulted, spoken and published extensively on telemedicine, electronic health record and electronic health transactions, and other related health care matters. Her presentation, "Telemedicine & Electronic Health Records: Opportunities & Exposures," will include a discussion of emerging models of physician use and involvement in telemedicine and electronic health record strategies; core regulatory and other legal considerations commonly impacting the design and use of these strategies; new STARK, IRS and other regulatory guidance providing new partnering opportunities between physicians and other health care providers; negligence and other treatment standards, electronic health record privacy and security, and other selected legal concerns impacting design and use of telemedicine and electronic health record strategies; practical strategies and tips for evaluating and deploying electronic health and telemedicine strategies to manage quality of care, legal liabilities and cost concerns; and more.

For additional details about, or to register for, the Physician Compliance Conference, see http://www.hcca-info.org/staticcontent/07Phys_brochure.pdf.

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