CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY TRAINING

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- OIG Compliance Guidelines
- Hospital's Corporate Responsibility Plan
- Personal invitation from the Dept.of Justice and the OIG
- Effectively communicate standards & expectations
- Delegate compliance accountability and reporting

Education Requirements

- Each officer, director and employee shall receive at least one hour of initial training
- Such training will be included in the formal orientation of all new employees
- 4 hours of annual training for all employees involved in preparing or submitting Medicare bills
- Documentation of all education to include: Date, Time, Outline/Handouts, Attendance Records.

Initial Training & New Employee Orientation

- Ethics/Values & Corporate Responsibility program developed. Mandatory session for every employee, director...
- The Ethics, Values & Corporate Responsibility Education is included in the formal new employee orientation.

4 Hour Training Sessions:

- Hire outside consultants
- Advantages
 - Fast & easy
 - Provided good training tools
 - Provided the basic structure for developing future training programs
 - Knowledgeable about the subject matter
 - Demonstrated the hospital's commitment

Disadvantages

- Expensive
- Education was provided in 3 sessions, each session was 3 to 4 hours
 - Operational Applications
 - Reporting Applications
 - Corporate Applications
- Some employees had to attend more than 1 session

4 Hours Education:

- In-house Program
 - Took the education into the specific departments
 - Inter-active: employees asked to describe how they complied with standards and regulations
 - Encouraged staff to offer suggestions to improve procedures & processes
 - Free to ask questions and/or express concerns
 - Re-enforce reporting mechanisms

Topics - Finance

- Duplicate Billing
- 3 Day Rule
- Bundling/Unbundling
- Billing for services not rendered
- Credit Balances
- Bad Debt: Charity, Waivers, Collections
- Cost Report
- Medicare Secondary Payor

Topics: Laws/Regulations

- Stark II
- Anti-kickbacks
- Antitrust
- Tax Exempt Status
- Excluded Provider
- EMTALA

Topics: Clinical

- Medical Necessity
- Hospital Issued Denials
- Advance Beneficiary Notices
- Patient Freedom of Choice

Education - Other

- Local CMS Seminars
- PRO Seminars
- Find out what other seminars employees are attending.
- Create a data base to capture these educational sessions

Education: Other

- OlG Alerts: Send them out with a sign-off tracking form and create a log
- Take advantage of in-house newsletters and publications

New Education Plan: Web based training

- Starting this month
- All managers will take 2 courses on basic Fraud and Abuse
- Expand to all employees
- Specific modules for various job codes and departments