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An overhead view of a large wooden conference table with several people seated around it. The people are engaged with various electronic devices: some are using smartphones, others are using tablets, and one person is using a laptop. The scene is brightly lit, and the wood grain of the table is clearly visible.

Mini Summit 24: Evolving Risks and Opportunities related to Medical Affairs, e.g. Professional Medical Education, Digital Information, etc

# Panel Introductions

- **BJ D'Avella**, Senior Manager, Life Sciences Regulatory and Operational Risk, Deloitte, Parsippany, NJ (*Co-moderator*)
- **Mark A. DeWyngaert, PhD, MBA** Managing Director, Life Sciences Regulatory and Operational Risk, Deloitte, New York, NY (*Co-moderator*)
- **Stefanie A. Doeblor, JD** Of Counsel, Covington & Burling LLP, Washington, DC
- **Philip Lo Scalzo, JD** Senior Vice President, Chief Compliance Officer, BioMarin; Former Assistant General Counsel, sanofi-aventis, Novato, CA
- **Stephanie Macholtz, JD, MBA** Director, Compliance and Ethics, Global Medical Affairs and Business Development, Alexion Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; Former Compliance Officer, Biogen; Former Associate Director, Compliance, R&D, Eisai, Boston, MA
- **Donna White** Vice President, Contracts and Compliance, Chiesi USA, Inc.; Former Senior Director, Contracts and Compliance, Cornerstone Therapeutics, Cary, NC

# The focus of the panel discussion:

- ❖ Pharmaceutical and medical device industries are becoming more patient- centric.
- ❖ Companies are upgrading and expanding their Medical Affairs teams.
- ❖ Medical Affairs is best positioned to:
  - Generate and present critical scientific knowledge
  - Holistically pull together scientific and clinically relevant results regarding patient outcomes, relevant health economics, and patient safety at all stages of the product life cycle.
- ❖ Rapid growth of proactive and deeper relationships with prescribers and the broader patient/patient advocacy community may also lead to new areas of risk.

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- ❖ Risks include:
  - Privacy
  - Data security
  - Transparency
  - Value-based care
  - Bias in publications
  - Charitable giving
  - Reimbursement support
- ❖ Tension with customer-facing and proactive informational efforts that may look commercial in nature.
- ❖ As medical affairs teams align more with the commercial sectors, this could potentially undermine the benefit of medical affairs' independent perspective and judgment.



# How are your peers working to help their organizations improve the quality of healthcare while also mitigating risk?

- ❖ Use of Health Economics and Real World Data
- ❖ Interactions with Patient Advocacy groups
- ❖ Patients demands for more information and involvement at ever earlier stages of drug/device development
- ❖ Digital technology and advanced forms of communications including text messages, Facebook, Twitter, other web enabled interactions, and learning on demand
- ❖ What to do when your patient population numbers in the hundreds not tens of thousands?

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- ❖ Vulnerable populations ( pediatrics, aging, and indigent segments)
- ❖ More proactive interactions in the field where should you draw the line
- ❖ Use of MSLs as speakers
- ❖ Crossing the line into medical care in discussion with HCPs and Patients
- ❖ What is off-label in light of recent litigation and FDA guidance?

## Specific questions:

- ❖ How to develop guidelines on use of patient information when you are in the ultra-rare disease space? who can share the information
- ❖ What payments/transfers of value are permissible in supporting patients undergoing therapy?
  - What if they are children?
- ❖ Former HCPs as Medical Liaisons- how to train on not providing medical advice?
- ❖ How to discuss treatment guidelines and standards of care ?
- ❖ Involvement with Commercial Colleagues in joint account teams what are the guidelines?

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- ❖ Misuse of REMs programs to acquire additional data or provide additional non-mandated services ?
- ❖ Virtual MSL programs - no longer a one to one but possibly one to many?
- ❖ Where do we draw the firewall between medical and commercial especially in the era of specialty and rare disease drugs?
- ❖ What level of coordination is appropriate between medical and commercial, particularly at higher levels in the company?
- ❖ How has the role of the MSL changed recently? What controls are companies putting in place to reflect the new role?



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- ❖ What kinds of interactions can medical have with patient groups Foundations?
- ❖ What rules are being used for presentations of HEOR and RWE data ?
  - Who can access this data internally at the Company
- ❖ Is the Medical Information Review process robust enough?
- ❖ How do we deal with new modes of communication text messages, Facebook, Twitter etc.. what controls do you have in place?

Questions?



Thank you!