

PHYSICIAN PRACTICE: COMPLIANCE RISK CHECKUP

Mitigate your risk under regulatory and operational compliance requirements.

When was the last time your practice performed a Compliance Risk Checkup related to regulatory requirements in today's ever-changing healthcare environment?

Noncompliance with the False Claims Act and Stark Law can result in significant penalties and fines.

RECENT VIOLATIONS AND SETTLEMENTS

- Two **pain management practices** paid \$3.3M to resolve a false claim suit filed by a whistleblower. Services provided by physician assistants and nurse practitioners were allegedly billed as if they were provided by a physician.
- A **urology practice** settled for \$2.1M to resolve a whistleblower allegation of improper unbundling fraud due to an improper use of a modifier.
- A **sports medicine practice** paid \$790k to settle a whistleblower lawsuit alleging the company knowingly submitted false claims to Medicare and TRICARE. Claims were allegedly billed as one-on-one sessions and were actually conducted in a group setting.

To see if you're at risk of significant penalties and fines, take Withum's Compliance Risk Checkup assessment.

Withum's Compliance Risk Checkup will optimize your practice's operations and mitigate regulatory risks. The Checkup includes:

- An evaluation of your billing processes to ensure services rendered are medically necessary and accurately coded.
- A review of your Compliance Plan's documentation to uncover any gaps affecting your eligibility for participation in Medicare and Medicaid programs.



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IS IT TIME FOR A COMPLIANCE RISK CHECKUP?

YES	NO	TAKE THE ASSESSMENT TO SEE IF YOU'RE AT RISK
		Are you concerned that you billed for a service that was not medically necessary?
		Are you concerned that you billed for a service that was not performed?
		Are you concerned that you billed for a service that was not coded accurately?
		Are you concerned your practice does not adequately disclose and monitor conflicts of interest?
		Are you concerned your medical information is not compliant with HIPAA privacy and security regulations?
		Are you lacking a formal process to update and monitor the seven elements of your mandatory compliance plan?

If you answered “yes” to any of the above, please reach out to Kathy Ruggieri or Marc Stein, Withum’s Healthcare Advisory Services Team members, to schedule your Compliance Risk Checkup.

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