

From: Health Care Compliance Association

For Immediate Release

Contact: Margaret Dragon  
781/593-4924

### **Critical HCCA Web/Audio Conference Will Review Office of Inspector General Compliance Concerns Outlined in FY 2008 Work Plan**

Minneapolis, MN---October 15, 2007---The Health Care Compliance Association (HCCA) will host a two-part audio/web conference, to review important compliance concerns for hospitals and for physicians outlined in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General (OIG) 2008 Work Plan . It is an essential resource for the health care industry.

This vital two-part audio/web conference will provide an in-depth review of issues and projects the OIG believes are crucial and which will become the primary focus of the OIG's efforts during the 2008 fiscal year. Part I of the audio/web conference - 2008 OIG Work Plan for Hospitals - will be held on October 25, 2007 at 12 Noon Central Time. Part II - 2008 OIG Work Plan for Physicians - will be held on October 26, 2007 at 12 Noon Central Time.

#### **Panel of Experts**

HCCA has assembled an expert panel for this critical audio/web conference including:

- **Carol Lessans**, Director of Planning, Reporting, and Analysis Division of the Office of Management and Policy, OIG
- **George M. Reeb**, Assistant Inspector General for Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Audits, OIG
- **Brian Ritchie**, Assistant Inspector General for Evaluation and Inspections, Office of Evaluation and Inspections, OIG
- **Georgeann Edford**, President, Coding Compliance Solutions, LLC
- **Steven Ortquist**, Partner, Mead & Roach, LLP, and Mead & Roach Consulting, LLP
- **Sheryl Vacca**, CHC, Senior Vice President/Chief Compliance and Audit Officer, University of California System

#### **Registration Information**

More details and registration information are available on the HCCA Web site at [http://www.hcca-info.org/StaticContent/2008OIGworkplan\\_2parts.pdf](http://www.hcca-info.org/StaticContent/2008OIGworkplan_2parts.pdf). Call HCCA with questions at 888/580-8373 or 952/988-0141.

#### **Contact: Melanie Gross**

HCCA, 6500 Barrie Road, Suite 250  
Minneapolis, MN 55435  
[melanie.gross@hcca-info.org](mailto:melanie.gross@hcca-info.org)  
888/580-8373

(More)

**About the HCCA**

The Health Care Compliance Association, established in 1996, is the only national, non-profit organization solely dedicated to improving the quality of compliance. Its mission is to champion ethical practice and compliance standards and to provide the necessary resources for ethics and compliance professionals and others who share these principles. Visit HCCA's Web site at [www.hcca-info.org](http://www.hcca-info.org). Tel: 888/580-8373.