# **Ethics and Compliance Work Plan Essentials that Effectively Mitigate Risk**

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#### **Today's Objectives**



Explain the importance of conducting an ethics and compliance risk assessment.



Describe the key components.



Introduce a "simple six step" approach.

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#### The Importance

Execution of a solid, ongoing risk management process allows us to:

- Focus resources on the most important areas;
- Provide transparency to high-risk transactions;
- Continuously improve our programs; and
- Demonstrate a culture of compliance throughout an organization.

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#### What is an Ethics and Compliance Risk Assessment?

- It's a comprehensive, forward-looking analysis of all areas of law enforcement and regulatory concern that could impact a health care organization, followed by
- a detailed scoring of both the likelihood that a particular risk event will occur and,
- the exposure that will be faced by the organization if the risk event does occur.

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# Poll: What types of risks do you assess on behalf of your company?

- a) Operational
- b) Financial
- c) Ethics and compliance
- d) Strategic
- e) Other
- f) All of the above

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### Simple Six Step Approach



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## **Step 1 – Gather Risk Data**



- Audit findings
- Regulatory changes
- Analytics
- Meetings, conferences, and webinars

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### Step 2 – Identify Risk



#### Risk Event

Failure to develop appropriate policies and procedures

may result in regulatory fines and legal action.

Risk Consequence

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### Step 3 - Risk Rating Criteria



- Impact
- Likelihood
- Management preparedness

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# Poll: What functions do you collaborate with when assessing risks?

- a) Internal Audit Services
- b) Information Technology
- c) Legal
- d) Human Resources
- e) Other
- f) All of the above

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### Step 4 – Assess Risks





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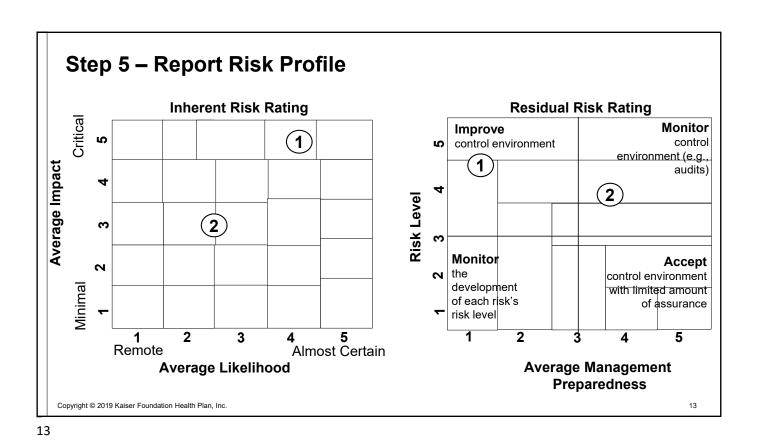
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### **Assess Risks – Inherent and Residual**

- Inherent Risk: The risk that an activity would pose without controls being in place.
- Residual Risk: The risk that remains after controls are in place.

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#### Poll: Who owns risk mitigation in your company?

- a) Business operations
- b) Legal
- c) Enterprise risk management
- d) Ethics and compliance
- e) Other
- f) All of the above

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