

38th Annual Health Law Forum

November 12 & 13 – Music City Center Nashville



Total Credits: 12 General, 3 Dual

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Recognized as one of the premier health law programs in the country, the annual forum will address key issues impacting the practice area. Sessions will provide insight from health law providers, practitioners and regulators, giving you the info you need to stay on top of key advancements.

Thursday, Nov. 12

7 – 8 a.m. CDT

Registration

8 – 8:15 a.m.

Chair's Welcome

Travis Lloyd, Bass Berry & Sims

8:15 – 9:45 a.m.

Regulatory Fraud and Abuse Update

This session will provide an update on the latest Fraud and Abuse developments, including federal case law and settlements under the FCA, and OIG and CMS activity.

Justin Brown, Bass Berry & Sims

Jennifer Michael, Bass Berry & Sims

9:45 – 10:45 a.m.

Keynote Address

Hon. Christi Grimm, BDO USA

Former Inspector General of U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services

10:45 – 11 a.m.

Break

11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Advanced Practice Providers: Scope of Practice, Supervision & Related Issues

This session will address the expanding scope of practice for advanced practitioners, supervision issues, and fraud and abuse risks.

Carole Myers, Univ. of Tennessee College of Nursing

12 – 12:15 p.m.

Grab Lunch

12:15 – 1:15 p.m.

Non-Competes & Employment in Healthcare

This session will examine the current landscape of non-compete agreements in healthcare employment, including recent FTC developments, state-level legislation, and practical considerations for healthcare employers and practitioners.

T. Jay Warner, DaVita

1:15 – 2:15 p.m.	Certificates of Need: Current Challenges and Reform Efforts This panel will discuss the current state of certificate of need laws, recent legislative reform efforts, and the practical impact on healthcare providers seeking to expand or establish new services. Caroline Tippens, Tenn. Health Facilities Commission Lauren Gaffney, Bass Berry & Sims
2:15 – 2:30 p.m.	Break
2:30 – 3:30 p.m.	Enforcement Actions This session will address recent False Claims Act enforcement trends, significant qui tam actions in healthcare, and practical guidance for providers facing government investigations. Brian Roark, Bass Berry & Sims JD Thomas, Barnes & Thornburg
3:30 – 5 p.m. DUAL	Ethics Update This session will provide an update on ethics issues relevant to health law practitioners, including recent disciplinary actions, conflicts of interest in healthcare representations, and emerging ethical obligations. Suggested Speakers: Douglas Wolford, Phelps Kim Looney, Epstein Becker Green Sheree Wright, Tennessee Bar Association
5 – 6 p.m.	Reception
<u>Friday, Nov. 13</u>	
8 – 9 a.m.	Medicare/Medicaid Enrollment Update This panel will provide a practical update on Medicare and Medicaid enrollment developments, including enrollment moratoria and the effects of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2026, and strategies for providers navigating the enrollment process. Stephanie Hoffmann, Bradley
9– 10 a.m..	Health Law Professors Panel This session will bring together leading health law academics to discuss cutting-edge issues in the field, including ... Zack Buck, University of Tennessee Debbie Farringer, Belmont University Ellen Wright Clayton, Vanderbilt University
10 – 10:15 a.m.	Break

10:15 – 11:45 a.m.	Tennessee Legislative Update and Case Review This annual update focuses on new laws impacting health care lawyers from the 2025 session of the General Assembly and will also recap significant Tennessee state civil appellate court cases and Attorney General opinions affecting health care from the past year. Jerry Taylor, Thompson Burton Mandy Young, Butler Snow Yarnell Beatty, Tennessee Medical Association
11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.	Lunch (on your own)/Section Business Lunch (RSVP required)
12:45 – 1:45 p.m.	Health Care Enforcement: U.S. Attorney's Offices This panel will discuss recent health care enforcement actions across Tennessee in the last year, including both civil and criminal actions. Panelists Coming Soon
1:45 – 2:45 p.m.	Implementing ADR Concepts in Healthcare This session will address the use of alternative dispute resolution in healthcare disputes, including arbitration clause drafting, mediation strategies, and ethical obligations when counseling clients on ADR options. Barbara Bennet, JAMS Chris Sabis, Sherrard Roe
2:45 – 3 p.m.	Break
3 – 4:30 p.m. DUAL	AI in Health Care Daniel Patten, Holland & Knight Jin Yoshikawa, Butler Snow