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9:00 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. CDT

Answers to 70 Questions in 7 Key Areas of Health Law Practice

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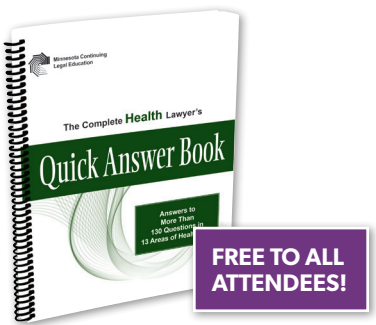
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DAY 1 – THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2026

| 9:00 – 10:05 a.m.<br>MORNING PLENARY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |  | 10:15 – 11:00 a.m.<br>BREAKOUT SESSION A                                                                                                                                 |  | 11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.<br>BREAKOUT SESSION B                                                                                                                                           |  | 1:10 – 2:10 p.m.<br>MIDDAY PLENARY                                                                                                                                                                     |  | 2:20 – 3:05 p.m.<br>BREAKOUT SESSION C                                                                                                                                                                                                    |  | 3:20 – 4:05 p.m.<br>BREAKOUT SESSION D                                                                                                                                                                             |  | 4:15 – 5:15 p.m.<br>AFTERNOON PLENARY                                                                                                                                  |  |
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| 8:30 – 9:00 a.m. CHECK-IN & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |  | <div>GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS</div> 101<br><b>2026 Medicare Update – Including Reimbursements</b><br>– Jesse A. Berg                                                          |  | <div>GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS</div> 201<br><b>2026 Medicaid Update – Including Eligibility, Reimbursements and More!</b><br>– Jennifer A. Forbes                                             |  | 1:10 – 2:10 p.m.<br><b>Fraud and Abuse Update – Enforcement Priorities, Program Integrity, and Tech-Aided Identification of Potential Prosecution Targets</b><br>– Thomas Beimers<br>– Laura B. Morgan |  | <div>GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS</div> 301<br><b>New Drug Cost Developments – Including 340B Under Pressure: What Counsel Need to Know Before the Next Budget, Contracting or Compliance Decision</b><br>– Evan M. Bonnstetter & Steve Lokensgard |  | <div>HOT TOPICS</div> 401<br><b>Healthcare Fraud &amp; Abuse Outlook – Beyond the Update</b><br>– Thomas Beimers                                                                                                   |  | 4:15 – 5:15 p.m.<br><b>You Are Being Recorded – Patient Appointments, Internal Meetings Among Colleagues, External Communications, and More</b><br>– Patrick E. Midden |  |
| 9:05 – 10:05 a.m.<br><b>2026 Minnesota Agency Updates</b><br>– Britt Kringle<br>Medicaid Compliance Officer Division Director<br>Health Care Integrity and Accountability Division (HCIA)<br>Minnesota Department of Human Services<br>– Matthew L. Heffron<br>State Rapid Response Operations Manager<br>Minnesota Department of Health<br>– Theodore J. Patton<br>Senior Director Insurance Investigations & Examinations<br>Minnesota Department of Commerce<br>– David M. Aafedt, moderator |  | <div>AI &amp; TECH</div> 102<br><b>AI Clinical Decision Support: When Software Becomes a Medical Device</b><br>– Mark E. Gardner                                         |  | <div>AI &amp; TECH</div> 202<br><b>Don’t Get Laser-Focused on Just AI – Analyzing Today’s Use Cases of Cookies, Pixels &amp; Other Tech Tracking in Healthcare</b><br>– Kaitlin A. Lang |  | 2:10 – 2:20 p.m. BREAK                                                                                                                                                                                 |  | <div>AI &amp; TECH</div> 302<br><b>AI Vendor Agreements in Healthcare: 4 Clauses That Need More Attention</b><br>– Jonathan H. Stechmann                                                                                                  |  | <div>TRANSACTIONS / M&amp;A</div> 402<br><b>The M&amp;A Healthcare Roundup – Best Practices, Biggest Issues, Current Trends, Future Outlook and More</b><br>– Erin E. Conti, Christianna L. Finnern & Sara A. Noel |  |                                                                                                                                                                        |  |
| 10:05 – 10:15 a.m. BREAK                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  | <div>TRANSACTIONS / M&amp;A</div> 103<br><b>Healthcare Transactions After the Letter of Intent: The 5 Deal Issues Most Likely to Blow Up Later</b><br>– Zachary J. Crain |  | <div>MED DEVICE &amp; PHARMA</div> 203<br><b>Designing FDA-Compliant Quality Control Systems for Pharmaceutical and Medical Device Companies</b><br>– Theodore M. Thompson              |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  | <div>MED DEVICE &amp; PHARMA</div> 303<br><b>Prescribing GLP-1s and Other Peptides in Minnesota – The Compliance Framework</b><br>– Jamie Christopher                                                                                     |  | <div>HOT TOPICS</div> 403<br><b>5 High-Stakes Behavioral Health Law Questions for Payers and Providers</b><br>– Jason K. Engelhart & Paul A. Sand                                                                  |  |                                                                                                                                                                        |  |
| 11:00 – 11:15 a.m. BREAK                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |                                                                                                                                                                          |  |                                                                                                                                                                                         |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  | 3:05 – 3:20 p.m. BREAK                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |  | 4:05 – 4:15 p.m. BREAK                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |                                                                                                                                                                        |  |

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DAY 2 – FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2026

| 9:00 – 11:45 a.m.<br>MORNING PLENARY                                                                                                                                                            |  | 11:55 a.m. – 12:40 p.m.<br>BREAKOUT SESSION E                                                                                                                                                                               |  | FRIDAY AFTERNOON BONUS SEMINAR!<br>Free for All Institute Attendees                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  | LIVE IN-PERSON<br>Thursday & Friday,<br>September 17 & 18, 2026<br>Minnesota CLE Conference Center<br>600 Nicollet Mall, Suite 370<br>Third Floor City Center, Minneapolis                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |  | CREDITS – INSTITUTE<br>Minnesota CLE is applying to the Minnesota State Board of CLE for <b>9.25 standard CLE credits</b> . The maximum number of total CLE credits attendees may claim for this program is <b>9.25</b> . Minnesota CLE is also applying to The Compliance Certification Board (CCB) <sup>®</sup> for CEU credits. Minnesota CLE does not make any guarantee of CEU credit approval.                                                                                                              |  | SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE<br>Minnesota CLE maintains a scholarship program for those with a financial need. Contact <b>customerservice@minncle.org</b> for further details or to obtain an application.                   |  |
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| 8:30 – 9:00 a.m. CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST                                                                                                                                                          |  | <div>AI &amp; TECH</div> 501<br><b>AI in Healthcare and Health Insurance: Regulatory Developments, Coverage Decisions and Building Effective AI Governance for Your Operations</b><br>– Jane Blaney                         |  | LUNCH BREAK (on attendees' own)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |  | NEW AT THE INSTITUTE!<br>4 Breakout “Think Tank” Roundtables                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  | ONLINE REPLAY<br>Wednesday & Thursday,<br>October 21 & 22, 2026<br>View online at <a href="http://www.minncle.org">www.minncle.org</a><br>Online replay includes all plenary and breakout sessions except for roundtable discussions. A moderator will be available to answer questions by email.                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  | ACCOMMODATION<br>If you have a disability and need an accommodation in order to attend this Institute, please contact Minnesota CLE as soon as possible at <b>800-759-8840</b> or <b>customerservice@minncle.org</b> . |  |
| 9:00 – 9:05 a.m. ANNOUNCEMENTS                                                                                                                                                                  |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  | Available exclusively to in-person attendees and not recorded.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |  | Join a facilitated, peer-driven discussion focused on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Candid conversation</li><li>Benchmarking through shared experience</li><li>Practical problem-solving</li></ul>            |  |
| 9:05 – 10:05 a.m.<br><b>The 2026 Minnesota Health Law Legislative &amp; Case Update – HCMC and Hospital Stabilization, Medicaid Conformity, Rural Health and More!</b><br>– Matthew W. Bergeron |  | <div>TRANSACTIONS / M&amp;A</div> 502<br><b>6 Challenges to Investments in Healthcare Deals Impacting Entrepreneurs, Start-Ups, Private Equity and Other Non-Physician Investors</b><br>– Laura J. Nelson & Jill R. Radloff |  | 1:45 – 2:45 p.m.<br><b>Ethical Duties in Conducting an Internal Investigation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Identifying the Client</li><li>Counsel’s Duties When Misconduct Is Suspected</li><li>Preserving Privilege, Understanding Waiver, and Considering Jurisdictional Differences in Privilege Law</li></ul> – Matthew Gillespie |  | 2:45 – 3:45 p.m.<br><b>The Ethical Obligations of Government Lawyers – and What Counsel for the Target Needs to Know</b><br>Government lawyers are subject to distinct professional obligations. Counsel representing an organization under government investigation must understand not only their own ethical duties, but also the ethical constraints that should govern the government attorneys across the table.<br>– David A. Schultz |  | HOW TO REGISTER<br>Register online at <a href="http://www.minncle.org">www.minncle.org</a> . For assistance, call Minnesota CLE at <b>800-759-8840</b> or email <b>customerservice@minncle.org</b> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  | QUESTIONS?<br><b>customerservice@minncle.org</b><br><b>www.minncle.org</b><br><b>800-759-8840</b>                                                                                                                      |  |
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| 10:15 – 11:00 a.m.<br><b>The 2026 Drugs, Devices, Vaccines, and Biologics Update</b><br>– Nathan Downing                                                                                        |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  | CREDITS – BONUS PRE-INSTITUTE LIVE ONLINE REPLAY<br>Minnesota CLE is applying to the Minnesota State Board of CLE for <b>3.5 standard CLE credits</b> for <i>Answers to 70 Questions in 7 Key Areas of Health Law Practice</i> . The program is a replay of select sessions from <i>The Complete Health Lawyer</i> held in April 2026. Minnesota CLE is also applying to The Compliance Certification Board (CCB) <sup>®</sup> for CEU credits. Minnesota CLE does not make any guarantee of CEU credit approval. |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |
| 11:00 – 11:45 a.m.<br><b>The 2026 Data Privacy and Security Update – HIPAA, Part 2, Cybersecurity, AI Data Use, Enforcement Priorities &amp; More</b><br>– Ross D'Emanuele                      |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |
| 11:45 – 11:55 a.m. BREAK                                                                                                                                                                        |  | 12:40 p.m. INSTITUTE ADJOURNS                                                                                                                                                                                               |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |

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