American Benefits Council

P4P ... "Preparing for PPACA" Webinar:

Session #22: Final Wellness Regulations

Tues., June 4, 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. ET

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The American Benefits Council will continue its **P4P** ... **Preparing for PPACA** series on **Tuesday, June 4, at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time**, to discuss <u>final regulations</u> – issued by the U.S. departments of Treasury, Labor (DOL) and Health and Human Services (HHS) on May 29 – implementing provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) related to nondiscriminatory wellness programs.

These rules replace certain existing 2006 HIPAA wellness plan regulations and are applicable to both grandfathered and non-grandfathered group health plans and group health insurance coverage for plan years beginning on or after January 1, 2014. Consistent with the HIPAA regulations, the final regulations continue to divide wellness plans into two categories: "participatory wellness programs" and "health-contingent wellness programs. They also include an increase in permissible maximum rewards under health —contingent wellness programs to 30 percent and 50 percent for programs designed to prevent or reduce tobacco use.

Kathryn Wilber, senior counsel, health policy, will moderate the webinar. She will be joined by *Christy Tinnes*, *Groom Law Group*, and *Seth Perretta*, *Crowell & Moring*, who will describe the key provisions in the regulations and their implications for health plan sponsors and service providers.

We will take questions from webinar participants throughout the session. Members are encouraged to <u>submit questions in advance</u> to Wilber at <u>kwilber@abcstaff.org</u>.

About the Series

The "P4P ... Preparing for PPACA" series, like our prior PPACA Compliance series, will examine the plan design and operational challenges and (where applicable) the opportunities presented by PPACA and its implementing regulations as employers proceed toward full implementation of the health law in 2014.

For questions related to registration – or if you have colleagues at your organization who would like to participate in this webinar, but do not regularly receive Council materials – please contact <u>Deanna Johnson</u>, director, membership, or <u>Sondra West</u>, membership services coordinator, at (202) 289-6700.