

HOT TOPICS IN HEALTH CARE LAW

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4:30 – 5:30 PM

PROGRAM

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7:00 – 7:30 PM

TODAY'S TOPICS

- ✓ **Trump administration's health care policy priorities**
- ✓ **Cost pressures and reimbursement challenges**
- ✓ **Opportunities and challenges in caring for an aging patient population**
- ✓ **The impact of AI on the health care industry**
- ✓ **Observations on the health care experience**
- ✓ **The impact of private equity investments in health care**

M&S HEALTH CARE GROUP

The Health Care Group at Miles & Stockbridge offers a strong combination of industry experience and substantive legal knowledge to help clients navigate the pitfalls related to health care-specific regulations and move forward in a constantly changing business environment.

We advise a large segment of the health care industry, including integrated health systems, hospitals, academic medical centers, large and small physician specialty groups, ambulatory surgery centers, hospices, continuing care retirement facilities, skilled nursing facilities and patient assistance organizations. We also are well versed in the acquisition of health care businesses, the financing of these projects and the regulatory nuances of transactions involving health care businesses. Likewise, our lawyers have decades of experience as defense counsel in False Claims Act litigation and white collar matters and investigations.

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MEET OUR PANELISTS



Cathy Hamel
President
Gilchrist Hospice

Cathy Hamel leads Gilchrist Hospice, the largest provider of serious illness, hospice and palliative care services in Maryland, serving more than 26,000 patients annually. Cathy has more than 35 years of experience leading healthcare organizations, including 17 years with Gilchrist, where she joined in 2008 as Chief Operating Officer, became its Executive Director in 2010 and was named President in 2015. During her tenure, the organization was awarded the prestigious Circle of Life Award twice (once in 2011 and again in 2024) by the American Hospital Association and she serves on the leadership team for GBMC Healthcare, which won the Malcolm Baldrige Quality Award in 2020. She also serves as the health system's Executive Vice President and Chief Strategy Officer. Cathy serves on various community boards including community-based organizations and industry trade associations.



Steve Leonard
President & CEO
TidalHealth

Steve Leonard leads TidalHealth, a robust health system across the Delmarva Peninsula, offering patient-centered care, from wellness checkups and classes to high-tech surgeries, trauma, cancer and heart care. Under Steve's leadership, TidalHealth was formed in 2020 when nearly 5,000 health care providers from across the region united under one name in support of the mission to improve the health of the community. Steve has served as President and CEO for seven years and has held various leadership positions with the health system over the last 21 years. Steve is actively involved in several community boards, including those of local Delmarva organizations and health care industry trade associations.



Randy Sergent
EVP and General Counsel
CareFirst BlueCross
BlueShield

Randy Sergent is the Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield (CareFirst), the region's largest not-for-profit provider of health benefits. He oversees the development and implementation of CareFirst's legal and public policy strategies and provides expert strategic insights on legal and policy issues, enabling CareFirst's mission of advancing access to affordable, equitable and quality healthcare for the communities it serves, and oversees the Company's compliance, regulatory operations and audit teams. He is also the Chair of the Maryland Healthcare Commission and the incoming Secretary for the Maryland State Bar Association (MSBA), also serving on the MSBA Executive Committee and Board of Governors. Randy joined CareFirst in 2010 after serving as a partner with Venable LLP and as an Assistant Attorney General in Maryland.

TODAY'S PRESENTATION



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