



## OIG General Compliance Guidance

The Office of Inspector General (OIG) has been at the forefront of the Nation's efforts to fight fraud, waste, and abuse and improve the efficiency of Medicare, Medicaid, and 100 other HHS programs. The OIG has developed compliance program guidance documents to support health care industry stakeholders in their efforts to self-monitor compliance with applicable laws and program requirements. The guide provides information about relevant Federal laws, compliance program infrastructure, OIG resources, and other information useful to understanding health care compliance.

### Utilizing the Guide

The OIG provides valuable reference regarding the Anti-Kickback Statute with an easy-to-understand explanation of how problematic arrangements can arise. A safe way to ensure compliance is to apply the list of key questions to analyze current relations. Page 12 | OIG-2023-GENERALCOMPLIANCEGUIDE-NEW-HHS-OIG-GCPG-2023 (3).pdf



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# NEWSLETTER



### Exciting News!

Med-Lake Laboratory has met all the criteria for Laboratory Accreditation by COLA Inc., a leading national laboratory accreditor, whose program and standards enable clinical laboratories and staff to meet United States Clinical Laboratory Improvement Act (CLIA) and other regulatory requirements. Accreditation is given to those who produce the highest standard of quality in day-to-day operations, demonstrate continued accuracy in the performance and proficiency of testing, and pass a rigorous on-site laboratory survey.



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### COLA, Inc.

COLA, Inc. is a physician-directed organization whose purpose is to promote health and safety through accreditation and educational programs. In 1993, COLA was granted deemed status by CMS to provide laboratory accreditation. As a leading laboratory accreditor in the United States, laboratories of all types are evaluated and mentored to produce the highest quality laboratory services and meet CLIA regulations.