8:30 a.m.  Registration & Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m.  Corporate Practice of Medicine and Other Physician Practice Organizational Issues
Randy Schultz, Lathrop & Gage, LLP, Overland Park
Kelli Stevens, Kansas State Board of Healing Arts, Topeka
This session will provide an analysis and discussion of the regulatory and practical issues relating to the corporate practice of medicine doctrine in Kansas. Topics to be covered include impermissible business structures, gray areas and problem business structures commonly encountered by the Kansas Board of Healing Arts.

9:50 a.m.  Case Law Update
Jerry Hawkins, Hite Fanning & Honeyman, LLP, Wichita
This presentation will review recent case law.

10:15 a.m.  A 2014 Kansas Legislative Update; Just When You Thought...
Deborah Frye Stern, Kansas Hospital Association, Topeka
This presentation will provide a summary of the healthcare legislation that was discussed during the 2014 legislative session.

10:40 a.m.  Break

10:55 a.m.  Business Immigration Update for Healthcare Providers
Mira Mdivani, Mdivani Corporate Immigration Law Firm, Overland Park
In this presentation, business immigration attorney Mira Mdivani of Mdivani Corporate Immigration Law Firm will cover immigration-related issues for healthcare providers, including form I-9 enforcement by Department of Homeland Security’s Immigration and Customs Enforcement for “not doing enough”, and Department of Justice’s Office of Special Counsel, for “going too far” in employer immigration compliance, as well as issues involved in employing international personnel, including physicians, nurses, and allied professionals.

11:45 a.m.  Lunch (provided)

12:45 p.m.  Anatomy of a Complaint (EP)
Stan Hazlett, Office of the Disciplinary Administrator, Topeka

1:35 p.m.  Management of Disruptive Physicians
Mary Christopher, Goodell Stratton Edmonds & Palmer, LLP, Topeka
Nathan Leadstrom, Goodell Stratton Edmonds & Palmer, LLP, Topeka

2:25 p.m.  Break

2:40 p.m.  Ethical Obligations Regarding Impaired Attorneys (EP)
Joseph Colantuono, Colantuono Bjerg Guinn, LLC, Overland Park
Suicide is the third leading cause of death among lawyers. One out of every nine people age 65 and older suffers from Alzheimer’s disease. This presentation will discuss your ethical obligations regarding impaired attorneys.

3:30 p.m.  The Anatomy of a FCA Qui Tam Case with Allegations Arising under the AKS
Michael Lampert, Ropes & Gray, LLP, Boston, Mass.
Gary Ayers, Foulston Siefkin, LLP, Wichita
The False Claims Act prohibits the submission of false or fraudulent claims, and causing third parties to submit false or fraudulent claims. It has been used by qui tam relators and by the government to enforce, civilly, the federal Anti-Kickback Statute and other health care laws. This discussion will analyze the legal framework for civil enforcement of the Anti-Kickback Statute through the False Claims Act.

4:20 p.m.  Adjournment
Faculty Information

Randy Schultz, Lathrop & Gage LLP, Overland Park
From the beginning of his career, Mr. Schultz has represented large and small healthcare entities in all of their corporate structure, finance and governance needs and is involved with the design of ACO and High Performance Provider networks. He works extensively with hospitals (private and governmental) and physician groups, as well as other for-profit and not-for-profit entities on their contract matters, employee benefit issues, compensation planning issues, and insurance program structure and development.

Kelli Stevens, Kansas State Board of Healing Art, Topeka
Ms. Stevens serves as the General Counsel for the Kansas Board of Healing Arts, where she has been employed for 14 years. Prior to joining the Board, Ms. Stevens was an Assistant Attorney General in the Kansas Attorney General’s Consumer Protection Division. She also previously worked as an attorney for Kansas Legal Services, Inc. Ms. Stevens earned her Bachelor’s degree in Health Information Management from the University of Kansas and her Juris Doctor from Washburn University School of Law. She is credentialed as a Registered Health Information Administrator and is an adjunct faculty member at Washburn University where she teaches a course on legal and regulatory issues for health care professionals.

Jerry Hawkins, Hite Fanning & Honeyman LLP, Wichita
Mr. Hawkins is a partner in the firm of Hite, Fanning & Honeyman, L.L.P. He practices principally in the areas of health care law and medical malpractice defense, and also focuses a portion of his practice on civil litigation representing clients in personal injury and wrongful death matters. Jerry is a frequent speaker on matters of interest to the legal profession.

Deborah Frye Stern, Kansas Hospital Association, Topeka
Ms. Frye Stern is a registered nurse and an attorney who serves as Vice President of Clinical Services and General Counsel for the Kansas Hospital Association. Prior to law school, Ms. Stern was employed as a registered nurse at Stormont-Vail HealthCare in the areas of quality improvement, risk management, home health and nurse recruitment.

Mira Mdivani, Mdivani Corporate Immigration Law Firm, Overland Park
Ms. Mdivani practices corporate immigration law at the Mdivani Corporate Immigration Law Firm. She is President of the Corporate Immigration Compliance Institute. Mdivani’s areas of expertise are U.S. employer immigration compliance, ICE and DOJ I-9 audit defense, and visas for international personnel. Mdivani has served as President of the Kansas Bar Association’s Immigration Law Section and Chair of the Missouri Bar Association’s Immigration Law Committee. She teaches corporate immigration compliance at the University of Missouri – Kansas City School of Law, and has authored several textbooks on corporate immigration. Mdivani has been named Best of the Bar, Super-Lawyer, Business Practitioner of the Year, and has received numerous professional awards, including Kansas Bar Association’s Outstanding Service Award, and the Missouri Bar Association’s President Award. Mdivani has served as President of the Association for Women Lawyers of Greater Kansas City. She is President of the Kansas Women Attorneys Association. She serves on Boards of Governors of the Missouri and Kansas Bar Associations and on the Board of the Kansas Board of Attorney Discipline.

Stanton Hazlett, Office of the Disciplinary Administrator, Topeka
Mr. Hazlett received his B.G.S. from the University of Kansas and his J.D. from Washburn University School of Law. From 1977 through 1986, he was engaged in private practice in Lawrence, Kansas. He has been employed by the Disciplinary Administrator’s Office since 1986. In September of 1997, he was appointed Disciplinary Administrator.
Mary Christopher, Goodell Stratton Edmonds & Palmer LLP, Topeka
Ms. Christopher received her Juris Doctor from Washburn University School of Law in 2001. Ms. Christopher was a Washburn Law School President’s Scholar, served as Notes Editor of the Washburn Law Journal and graduated with honors. She previously received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in English Literature from Kansas State University where she was inducted as a member of the Phi Beta Kappa honors organization. Ms. Christopher is a member of the Board of Directors for Let’s Help, Inc. and Kansas Legal Services, Inc. She is a member of the Topeka and Kansas Bar Associations, Kansas Association of Defense Counsel, American Health Lawyers Association, Lawyers Club and a past president of the Women Attorneys Association of Topeka. She is also a graduate of the 2012 class of Leadership Greater Topeka. Ms. Christopher is admitted to practice in the state and federal courts of Kansas. She joined Goodell, Stratton, Edmonds and Palmer in 2008. Her primary areas of practice are civil litigation, appellate practice, health care law, and water law/inverse condemnation.

Nathan Leadstrom, Goodell Stratton Edmonds & Palmer LLP, Topeka
Mr. Leadstrom serves clients primarily in the areas of hospital, nursing home, and health care law, with particular emphasis on professional liability defense and health care transactions in all areas of health care law including contracts, regulatory and corporate compliance, and employment law as well as civil litigation on behalf of health care clients. He further specializes in appellate practice and handles a variety of general civil litigation and general liability matters. He defends medical and mental health care providers, nursing homes, hospitals, clinics, insurance companies and other corporations in lawsuits filed in state and federal courts.

Joseph Colantuono, Colantuono Bjerg Guinn LLC, Overland Park
Mr. Colantuono investigates ethics complaints against Kansas attorneys as a member of the Johnson County Bar Association Ethics and Grievance Committee. He practices employment and business litigation in state and federal courts in Kansas and Missouri, and was awarded the Lon O. Hocker Trial Lawyer Award by the Missouri Bar Foundation. He is a Past President Earl E. O’Connor Inn of Court, and received his law degree from the University of Nebraska.

Michael Lampert, Ropes & Gray LLP, Boston, Mass.
Mr. Lampert is a health care lawyer who provides regulatory, transactional, and strategic advice to health care clients, including hospitals, universities, schools of medicine, medical device and pharmaceutical companies, laboratories, investors, physician practices, and emerging providers. He has extensive familiarity with fraud and abuse laws, in both an advisory and enforcement context, and other health care regulation such as the Food, Drug & Cosmetic Act, HIPAA, and Medicare reimbursement rules. Mr. Lampert also advises in mergers, acquisitions, restructurings, affiliations, and financings in both the for-profit and nonprofit context.

Gary Ayers, Foulston Siefkin LLP, Wichita
Mr. Ayers has represented healthcare and other clients in state and federal lawsuits and administrative proceedings involving a wide variety of contract disputes, business breakups, government investigations (Medicare, Medicaid and Department of Defense), False Claims Act qui tam cases, white collar crime, trade secrets, noncompete covenants, trademark and trade dress, and the corporate practice of medicine. Mr. Ayers enjoys Martindale-Hubbell Law Directory’s highest "AV" rating for lawyers and is listed in Missouri & Kansas Super Lawyers®, Guide to The Leading U.S. Healthcare Lawyers, The Best Lawyers in America®, and Chambers USA as a leading health care and commercial litigation attorney in the United States. His peer memberships include the Kansas Association of Hospital Attorneys and the American Association of Health Lawyers. He is also a Fellow of the Kansas Bar Foundation.