The Yin and Yang of Federal Grants Management: How to Handle More (Responsibilities) with Less (Dollars)

Brustein & Manasevit, PLLC's Spring Forum 2018

Washington Hilton, Washington, D.C.

Tuesday, May 8, 2018

4:00 pm – 7:00 pm Early Forum Check-In

Concurrent Pre-Sessions Wednesday, May 9, 2018

7:00 am – 8:30 am Pre-Session Check-In ONLY

7:00 am – 8:30 am Breakfast (for Pre-Session attendees only)

8:30 am – 11:00 am Pre-Session 1: ESSA' bout Ensuring Costs are Allowable

Leigh Manasevit, Tiffany Kesslar, and Bonnie Graham, Brustein & Manasevit, PLLC

On July 1, 2017 the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) went into effect. This pre-session will review all of the major compliance sections, including the new and changed legal requirements, and discuss updates to the ESSA law with examples on allowability under EDGAR.

8:30 am – 11:00am Pre-Session 2: Happy Hour(s) at the EDGAR Bar & Grill

Michael Brustein and Steven Spillan, Brustein & Manasevit, PLLC

This pre-session will provide an overall review of the grants administrative requirements and the impact of audits and audit resolution on Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) and the Uniform Grant Guidance (UGG).

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Wednesday, May 9, 2018

10:00 am – 1:00 pm	General Forum Check-In Begins
1:00 pm - 1:15 pm	Introduction Tiffany Kesslar, Brustein & Manasevit, PLLC
1:15 pm - 2:15 pm	Legislative Panel: Updates on Reauthorizations, Funding, and Rulemaking Julia Martin, Kelly Christiansen, and Emily Fridman, Brustein & Manasevit, PLLC
2:15 pm - 3:00 pm	Updates from ED's OIG Rich Rasa and Keith Cummins, Office of Inspector General, U.S. Department of Education
3:00 pm - 3:15 pm	Break
3:15 pm - 4:15 pm	Grant Fraud Updates Ken Dieffenbach, Office of Inspector General, U.S. Department of Justice (invited)
4:15 pm - 5:00 pm	"The Georgia and Maine Story" – Impact of Recent Judicial Precedent on Federal Grants Management Michael Brustein and Bonnie Graham, Brustein & Manasevit, PLLC and Wes Sherrell, Director of Internal Audit, Georgia Department of Education
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Networking Reception Provided by Brustein & Manasevit, PLLC

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Thursday, May 10, 2018

7:00 am - 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast Pr	ovided by Brustein & 1	Manasevit, PLLC
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8:30 am - 9:30 am Panels on SEA Resolution of LEA Single Audits

Moderator: Steve Spillan Brustein & Manasevit, PLLC

9:30 am -10:30 am The UGG-ly Truth of Federal Grants Management

Gil Tran, Senior Policy Analyst, Office of Federal Financial Management, Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

10:15 am -10:30 am Break

CONCURRENT BREAK-OUT SESSIONS

10:45 am to 12:00 pm	SEA Ombudsman Panel Leigh Manasevit	Postsecondary/ Perkins/AEFLA/ WIOA Perkins V Michael Brustein, Steven Spillan, and Andy Johnson (invited)	Federal Grants Management Test Tiffany Kesslar and Megan Passafaro	Fiscal Rules and Allowability Under IDEA Bonnie Graham and Jennifer Castillo	
12:00 pm to 1:30 pm Lunch					
1:30 pm to 2:45 pm	Serving English Learners Jennifer Mauskapf and Jennifer Castillo	What We Learned in WIOA Year 1 Michael Brustein and Steven Spillan	Appealing SEA Approval/ Enforcement Actions Bonnie Graham and Emily Fridman	Blending/Braiding ESSA and IDEA Funds Leigh Manasevit and Monica Munin	
2:45 pm to 3:00 pm Break					
3:00 pm to 4:15 pm	21st CCLC Programs Under ESSA Steven Spillan, Megan Passafaro, and Sylvia Lyles (invited)	HEA Reauthorization and Title IV Rulemaking at ED Julia Martin and Kelly Christiansen	Breaking Down Time and Effort Tiffany Kesslar and Emily Fridman	Preparing For A Due Process Complaint: You've Been Served! Now What? Jennifer Mauskapf and Monica Munin	

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Friday, May 11, 2018

7:00 am - 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast Provided by Brustein & Manasevit, PLLC
8:30 am - 9:30 am	Time & Effort Panel: How We Came into Compliance Panel of SEA/LEA/IHE Representatives Moderator: Leigh Manasevit, Brustein & Manasevit, PLLC
9:30 am - 9:45 am	Break
9:45 am - 10:30 am	Updates and Initiatives by Risk Management Services Phil Maestri, Director, Risk Management Service, U.S. Department of Education (invited)
10:30 am - 11:00 am	Self-Monitoring & Internal Controls Tiffany Kesslar, Brustein & Manasevit, PLLC
11:00 am - 11:45 am	How to Draft Compliant Policies and Procedures Bonnie Graham, Brustein & Manasevit, PLLC
11:45 am - 12:00 pm	Questions and Answers Panel Panel of Brustein & Manasevit, PLLC Attorneys