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# **Implementing Your New Compliance Program**

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## Faculty Biographies

#### **Karyn Boston**

Karyn Boston is the chief compliance officer and associate general counsel for YMCA of the USA, located in Chicago, Illinois. YMCA of the USA is the national resource office for the nation's 2,714 YMCAs, which serve nearly 21 million people each year, including 9.4 million children under the age of 18.

Ms. Boston was responsible for developing YMCA of the USA's ethics and compliance framework and infrastructure around nonprofit Sarbanes-Oxley compliance, including oversight of the records and information management and whistleblower programs. Other areas of focus include privacy, child protection/safety, internal investigations, HIPAA and FCPA. She is also responsible for a portfolio of legal matters, including litigation, intellectual property and contracts, as well as oversight of the enterprise risk management program.

Prior to joining YMCA of the USA, Ms. Boston served as associate general and head of the Escalated Customer Complaint Group for Sears Holdings Corporation. During her employment with Sears, she managed civil and criminal government enforcement actions, litigation, advertising/trade practices and regulatory work. As a former prosecutor for Denton County, Texas, she gained extensive trial and appellate experience.

Ms. Boston received her Bachelors of Science degree from Hampton University and her law degree from Detroit College of Law at Michigan State University. She also earned the designation of Certified Compliance and Ethics Professional (CCEP) through the Compliance Certification Board.

#### **David Simon**

David Simon is president of WeComply, Inc. A trial and appellate lawyer for 14 years, he has helped develop hundreds of computer-based training courses for both lawyers and non-lawyers.

Since founding WeComply in 1999, Mr. Simon has been a frequent speaker on compliance and employee-training issues and has written articles for ACC Docket, Corporate Counsel magazine, Director's Monthly, and numerous other publications.

#### **Steven Smart**

Steven Smart is director, Ethics and Compliance with National Oilwell Varco (NOV), a manufacturer and supplier of equipment and services to the oil and gas industry worldwide. At NOV he manages an international compliance team of five other attorneys as well as paralegals and product classification specialists.

Prior to joining NOV, Mr. Smart was associate general counsel for Ethics and Compliance with Tesco Corporation, where he developed and implemented the company's first comprehensive compliance program. He has also been in-house counsel at Halliburton and in private practice in Toronto, Canada, and Bogota, Colombia.

Mr. Smart is based in Houston, Texas, and currently serves as chair of ACC's Compliance and Ethics Committee.

Mr. Smart graduated from Harvard University with a BA and from the Osgoode Hall Law School of York University in Toronto, Canada with a JD.



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- You've written out the elements of your program and implementation plan
- You have Board and senior management approval
- You have a budget...



How will you breath life into your program?



# Goals of a Compliance Program

- To effectively <u>prevent</u> and <u>detect</u> non-compliance within your organization (per Federal Sentencing Guidelines)
- To identify and protect your organization from compliancerelated risk

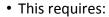


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- Effectively preventing non-compliance requires everyone to be:
  - aware of relevant legal requirements, and
  - integrating them into their respective job functions



- information (training), and
- "permission"







- Most people want to do the right thing but may not believe they <u>can</u> while meeting job requirements and management expectations
- "Permission" to do the right thing depends on leadership and tone, both from senior management ("the top") and from the immediate supervisor
- Not everyone agrees: you need to make rogue employees visible



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- Implementing a compliance program is about fostering change:
  - Cultural change
  - Organizational change where necessary
- Be aware of momentum and build on it
- Work toward a broad consensus for change





- Why has your organization decided to implement a compliance program?
  - Proactive vs. reactive
- The answer will affect who supports your effort and who may become a source of resistance or opposition
- Key allies: legal, internal audit, logistics, human resources, IT



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Should the Compliance Officer report to the General Counsel?

- Some people in government have discouraged this
- Many companies do it
- There are advantages and disadvantages
- If it makes sense for your organization, don't be afraid to adopt this model
- Ensure direct communication with the Board





# **Gaining Support and Commitment**

#### **Communication of Commitment**

- · Board resolution
- Written endorsement

#### **Obtain Buy-In**

- CEO
- · Corporate leadership
- Support from key external sources

#### **Establish Resources and Financial Commitment**

- · Compliance budget
- Staffing
- Ongoing activities



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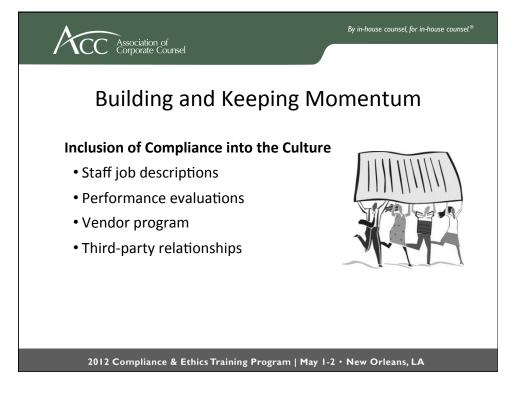
## **Building Consensus**

#### **EVERYONE** should be involved

- Compliance efforts must be ingrained into the culture
- Everyone owns compliance, so everyone must feel connected









# **Building and Keeping Momentum**

#### **Compliance Awareness Campaigns**

- Visible markers
- Monthly newsletters
- Email comedy shorts
- · Compliance Week
- Employee recognition

#### **Publishing Program Metrics**

 Percentage of employees completing Code of Conduct training



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### **Common Obstacles**

- · Lack of buy-in and support from the top
- · Lack of ownership/leadership
- · Lack of financial resources and labor support
- · Lack of enforcement authority
- · Lack of access to CEO/Board
- Lack of independence
- · Lack of variation in education
- · Cultural and geographic challenges
- · Fear of retaliation
- · Failure to monitor and improve





### Training – Four Essential Steps:

- 1. Developing the training
- 2. Delivering the information in an engaging way
- 3. Ensuring that all employees receive training
- 4. Tracking and reporting all training activities



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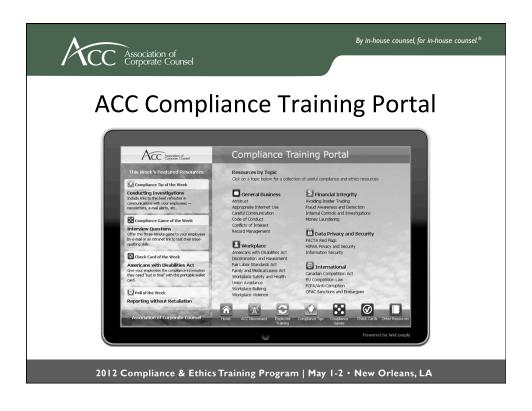
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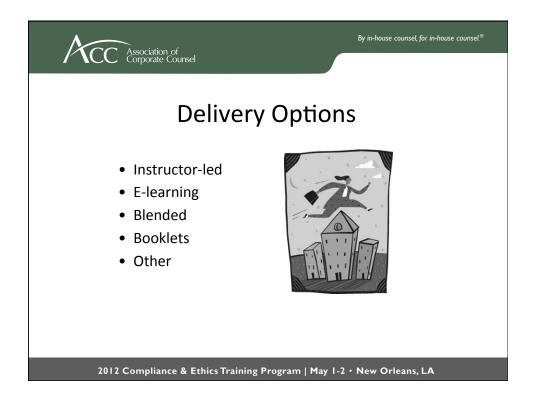
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## **Determining Areas of Need**

- Respond to reactive input as required
- Be proactive by -
  - √ Surveying managers/employees
  - ✓ Consulting checklists of recommended topics
  - ✓ Benchmarking against other organizations









# Tracking/Reporting

- Paper-based
- LMS
- HRIS add-on
- Third-party options



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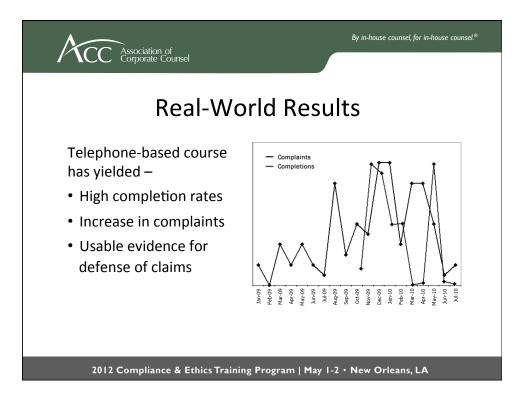
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# **Case Study**

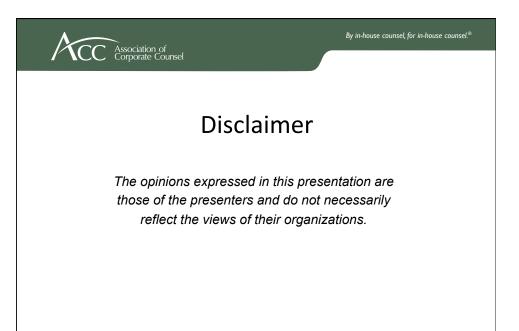
# ABM Anti-Harassment Certification and Training

- 110,000 employees
- Non-computer-based
- Multi-language
- Asynchronous









# Compliance Program Implementation Checklist

ACTIONS  RESPONSIBLE PARTY  liance Officer and Committee elect a Compliance Officer (CO)  elect a Compliance Committee (CC)  Provide compliance and risk area training to the compliance committee	COMMENTS
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Identify specific compliance sub-topics for implementation  Create sub-committees or task forces	
Assign each task force to a specific compliance sub-topic	
nsure CC meets weekly during implementation	
nsure CC meets monthly after implementation	
Assessment	
entify any well-known industry risk areas	
entify all relevant laws, regulations, government, or regulatory body uidance	
entify any areas of previous compliance problems within the ganization	
entify any areas of previous operational or financial problems within e organization	
entify any human resources-related problems within the organization	
equest all human resources-related problems within the organization	
equest all departments to list their department's areas of weakness or otential weaknesses	
omplete the risk matrix	

ACTIONS	RESPONSIBLE	COMMENTS
	PARTY	
Draft compliance code of conduct		
Obtain approval of code of conduct		
Distribute and explain to all employees		
Obtain signed certification of code of conduct from all employees		
Draft "structural" policies and procedures		
Mission/goals/directives of compliance		
Role of compliance officer		
Role of compliance committee		
Role of management and board of directors		
General compliance training		
Specific compliance training		
Annual compliance re-training		
Testing of compliance education retention		
Anonymous reporting mechanism		
Open lines of communication		
Feedback on reports		
Non-retaliation policy		
Auditing and monitoring		
Auditing schedule		
Auditor independence		
Continuous/regular monitoring		
Non-retention of sanctioned individuals		
Disciplinary action guidelines		
Enforcement of disciplinary action		
Corrective action plans Responding to search warrants, subpoenas, and other formal requests for documents by external entities		
Draft "substantive" policies and procedures		
Complete risk assessment (described above)		

PLIANCE PROGRAM KEY ELEMENT		
ACTIONS	RESPONSIBLE PARTY	COMMENTS
Draft specific substantive policies and procedures that address identified risk areas		
Obtain approval of policies and procedures from compliance committee		
Obtain approval of policies and procedures from executive committee		
Obtain approval of policies and procedures from board of directors		
Distribute and explain the policies and procedures to all employees		
Obtain signed certification of receipt and understanding of policies and procedures from all employees		
Review of Policies and Procedures		
Annually:		
Review all compliance-related policies and procedures		
Update policies and procedures as needed		
Create new policies and procedures for new risk areas identified		
Obtain required approvals of revised policies and procedures		
Distribute revised policies and procedures to all appropriate employees/contractors		
Obtain signed certification of receipt and understanding of revised policies and procedures from all applicable policies and procedures		
Upon revision of a process:		
Review all compliance-related policies and procedures		
Update policies and procedures as needed		
Obtain required approvals of revised policies and procedures		
Distribute revised policies and procedures to all appropriate employees/contractors		
Obtain signed certification of receipt and understanding of revised policies and procedures from all applicable policies and procedures		

COMPLIANCE PROGRAM KEY ELEMENT		
ACTIONS	RESPONSIBLE PARTY	COMMENTS
Review of Other Departmental Policies and Procedures		
Prepare a departmental policy and procedure request memo (upon creation/implementation of the compliance program and annual thereafter)		
Designate a task force or delegate specific policy and procedure to various task forces to review and recommend compliance-related revisions to each policy		
Provide recommendations back to the departments with a timeline for each department to submit the revision or submit a written explanation of the process as it is and why it can't be revised	,	
Sign off on each revised policy and procedure and each policy and procedure that does not require revision		
 Training and Education	<del> </del>	
Identify all employees that require general compliance training	<del> </del>	
Identify all employees that require specific compliance training	1	
Identify all vendors and contractors that require compliance training	<del> </del>	
Identify all customers that require compliance education	<del> </del>	
Identify any other community members or other entities that require compliance education		
Determine content and duration of general compliance training	1	
Determine content and duration of specific compliance training	1	
Determine content and duration of contractor/vendor compliance training	]	
Determine content of community/customer/other entity compliance education		
Determine frequency of training required	╢——	
Determine most appropriate mode of general training	╂──	
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ACTIONS	RESPONSIBLE PARTY	COMMENTS
Determine most appropriate trainers		
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Develop training materials and presentation		
Determine mechanism for tracking who has and has not been trained		
Document training and education plan and schedule developed through		
above activities		
Provide training		
Create evaluation forms for training		
Collect evaluations and synthesize feedback		
Refine training program		
Track who has and has not been trained		
Identify alternative training/education methods		
Implement alternative training/education methods		
CO and CC regular attendance at high-level compliance		
conferences/seminars		
Subscribe to compliance journals/newsletters		
Join compliance-related organizations		
Subscribe to government and other listservs		
diting and Monitoring		
Complete risk assessment (described above)		
Draft audit plans for each risk area identified		
Determine the objectives of the audit		
Determine the appropriate sample selection method for each audit		
Determine which documents will be audited		

Determine the audit criteria  Determine if legal counsel should be involved in the audit process  Develop an audit schedule based on prioritization from risk matrix  Determine the appropriate party to conduct each audit  Certify the independence/objectivity of the auditor  Conduct the audit  Determine the appropriate corrective action plan for any problems identified  Prepare a written audit report  Determine if legal counsel should be involved in the audit resolution based on findings  Develop surveys specific to each audience  Survey employees, customers, and other individuals on compliance issues  Flow Chart  Flow chart specific processes  Identify potential compliance weaknesses in the process  Identify areas that lack sufficient checks and balances  Add areas identified to audit plan/schedule  Improve processes as indicated  Re-flow chart corrected process  Educate changes to affected employees	E COMMENTS
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Educate changes to affected employees	
Hold "round table" discussions regarding compliance	

COMPLIANCE PROGRAM KEY ELEMENT		
ACTIONS	RESPONSIBLE PARTY	COMMENTS
Quiz employees during staff meetings		
Receive regular reports from compliance committee on concerns in their respective departments		
Forms Review		
Request from each department any forms that may cause a compliance problem		
Review the forms		
Provide recommendations for revisions to forms, as needed		
Request to review the revised forms within a specified amount of time		
Effective Communication		
Publicize the chain-of-command for reporting		
Create a mechanism for anonymous reporting		
Maintain open lines of communication		
Ensure that processes are in place to protect employees from retaliation		
Develop a mechanism for providing feedback to anonymous reporters		
Communicate with employees creatively and on an ongoing basis		
Disciplinary Guidelines		
Determine an appropriate disciplinary action plan		
Ensure that employees know and understand the consequences of noncompliance		

COMPLIANCE PROGRAM KEY ELEMENT		
ACTIONS	RESPONSIBLE PARTY	COMMENTS
Enforce disciplinary action plans when situations of noncompliance arise		
Involve human resources and legal when appropriate		
Responding Appropriately to Detected Offenses		
Investigate the report of misconduct in a timely manner		
Interview appropriate personnel		
Conduct site visits and walk throughs		
Research applicable laws, regulations, and guidance		
Audit processes/documents as needed		
Obtain legal opinions, if needed		
Maintain all investigation documentation		
Determine if misconduct has occurred		
Develop a corrective action plan		
Create or revise policies and procedures to ensure misconduct is not repeated		
Create or revise forms that may have influenced misconduct		
Provide education to employee who acted inappropriately		
Provide education to all employees on the specific misconduct		
Revise flow charts or entire processes as needed		
Implement the disciplinary action plan, as appropriate		
Regularly audit and monitor processes affected to ensure future compliance		