

# BANKRUPTCY HEALTH CARE PROGRAM

# MONDAY, OCTOBER 25

#### **Registration & Lunch** (11:00-11:45 a.m.)

Sponsored by Grant Thornton LLP and Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP

#### **Welcome Remarks**

(11:45 a.m.-12:00 noon)

#### **Kroger: Large Employer's Pandemic Response** (12:00-12:50 p.m.)

As America's largest grocer, Kroger knew it had a great responsibility to act from the earliest days of the COVID-19 pandemic. With a half-million employees and millions of customers coming through its doors each day, Kroger established a COVID-19 task force so that it could react swiftly to ensure the safety of its associates and customers.

#### The Pandemic, Its Echoes and Its Effects (1:00-2:00 p.m.)

This session will survey U.S. government health care policy regarding the pandemic from inside the government as the pandemic unfolded. A former deputy secretary and acting secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services will discuss the Provider Relief Fund, Operation Warp Speed and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services rule changes, and reflect on the health care industry changes to come.

**Break** (2:00-2:15 p.m.) Sponsored by Gray Reed & McGraw LLP

## **Reactor Panel: Where Have the Restructurings Gone?** (2:15-3:15 p.m.)

As of June 30, 2021, there have been 6,871 chapter 11 filings nationwide since the start of the pandemic, yet only 149 of them were of health care companies. Is there still distress in the industry, or did the U.S.'s stimulus funding correct the distress?

**Break** (3:15-3:30 p.m.) Sponsored by Gray Reed & McGraw LLP

### **Health Care Fraud Fallout: Financial Implications for the Future** (3:30-4:30 p.m.)

The health care industry is plagued by fraud and abuse issues. What have we seen already, what do we anticipate seeing in the future, and what do health care providers need to know going forward?

#### **Networking Reception** (4:30 p.m.)

Sponsored by Ankura Consulting Group, LLC, Kaufman Hall & Associates and McDermott Will & Emery

## **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26**

# **Breakfast & Registration** (7:15-7:45 a.m.)

Sponsored by Polsinelli and Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP

#### **Health Care Market Economics and Pricing** (7:45-8:30 a.m.)

Prof. VanHorn will examine the economic challenges facing the U.S. health care industry, as well as trends that will affect the future configuration of health care services. He will also highlight the price variations that exist in U.S. health care, and discuss the move toward consumerism and price transparency.

Break (8:30-8:45 a.m.)

#### **Reactor Panel: Health Care Investments Galore: Opportunities and Pitfalls** (8:45-9:45 a.m.)

This panel will discuss where to put your money to work in the industry and the pitfalls to watch for, including cybersecurity issues.

**Break** (9:45-10:00 a.m.)

#### As the Health Care Industry Emerges from **COVID-19, What Will the Challenges Be?** (10:00-11:00 a.m.)

This panel will discuss the challenges the industry faces post-pandemic, including how to get supplies, staff and other key ingredients to make the business aspect of health care work.

Break (11:00-11:15 a.m.)

#### M&A, Startups and Where We Go from Here (11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.)

This panel will focus on current M&A activity in the health care industry and where the opportunities lie, including in startups and other technology.

All times are in CDT.