

***Health Law Connections* Publishing Guidelines**

Description: *Health Law Connections* is the official membership magazine of the American Health Law Association (AHLA) and is offered as part of the membership benefit package. There are six print issues released per year (digital versions are released via email), and each issue includes one or more bylined feature articles, member forum columns, information on Association products and events, and member-related news.

Who Produces the Content: Content about the Association and its members is generated by AHLA's Education Department. There are three types of content that are generated by AHLA members:

- **Feature articles** are typically produced either: (1) through AHLA Practice Groups (PGs) (each of which are assigned responsibility for generating an article for a particular issue of the magazine on a rotating basis); or (2) through a proposal to AHLA's Education Department (see contact information below). Articles are typically written by AHLA members.
- **Member forum columns** are typically produced either: (1) through AHLA membership groups, such as the Early Career Professionals and Women's Leadership Councils; or (2) through a proposal to AHLA's Education Department (see contact information below). Columns are typically written by AHLA members.
- **Compliance Corner articles** are typically produced by compliance professionals through a proposal to AHLA's Education Department (see contact information below).

Length/Content Requirements: *Health Law Connections* does not publish content that has been previously published. Other requirements include:

- **Feature articles** typically include an in-depth analysis of an issue in health law that will impact members' practices—e.g., legislation or regulations, significant court rulings, and important trends. Feature articles should be 2,500-3,500 words, including an introduction, conclusion, and appropriate legal citations.
- **Member forum columns** typically are shorter pieces that provide insight on Association initiatives or discuss work and life issues that members may encounter. Member forum columns should be 500-1,000 words, including an introduction, conclusion, and appropriate citations where necessary.
- **Compliance Corner articles** should focus on a feature of compliance practice rather than a regulatory development or introductory topic. Compliance Corner articles should be 750-1,000 words, including an introduction, conclusion, and appropriate citations where necessary.

Process for Publication: All articles and columns must comply with AHLA’s Publication Guidelines for Authors¹ and are subject to editorial review before being accepted for publication. Authors should provide a photo and one-paragraph biography when submitting their manuscripts to AHLA. Authors also are required to sign AHLA’s exclusive copyright license prior to publication.

Contact: All article and column topics must be pre-approved by AHLA’s Education Department:

- For **feature articles**, authors should submit proposals in advance to Bianca Bishop (bbishop@americanhealthlaw.org). PGs should submit proposals for their feature articles to PGEducation@americanhealthlaw.org.
- For **member forum columns**, authors should submit proposals in advance to Ana Greene (agreene@americanhealthlaw.org).
- For **Compliance Corner articles**, authors should submit proposals in advance to Bianca Bishop (bbishop@americanhealthlaw.org).

¹ AHLA’s *Publication Guidelines for Authors* are designed to assist all AHLA volunteers who create content to do so in a way that meets AHLA’s broad-based publication standards. These Guidelines apply to all AHLA publications and educational content. Access the Guidelines here: https://www.americanhealthlaw.org/getmedia/49b8f9c3-4ffd-48af-9dd0-ac0a055d0b87/AHLA_Publication_Guidelines_for_Authors.pdf.

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