

# **Health Update**

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## **Enforcement Activity Continues**

- ▶ Both DOL and CMS continue active programs to audit group health plans multiemployer & large public sector plans are key targets
- > Focus includes:
  - Grandfathered status
  - Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act compliance - particularly treatment limitations like preauthorization or network restrictions
  - HIPAA special enrollment
  - ACA group mandates (including preventive services and emergency room services applicable to non-grandfathered plans)
- ➤ IRS also continuing to enforce ACA employer penalty



## **Employee Benefits Security Administration Recoveries 2017 & 2018**

### **TOTAL MONETARY RECOVERIES** (Health & Retirement)

	2017	2018
Total Recoveries	\$1.1B	\$1.6B
Recoveries from Enforcement Actions	\$682.3M	\$1.1B
Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program	\$10M	\$10.8M
Abandoned Plan Program	\$27.9M	\$33.4M
Monetary Benefit Recoveries from Informal Complaints	\$418.7M	\$443.2M

# **CMS Office for Civil Rights** HIPAA Privacy and Security Enforcement

- ➤ In 2018, OCR concluded an all-time record year in HIPAA enforcement activity
- OCR settled 10 cases and secured one judgment, together totaling \$28.7M
  - This total surpassed the previous record of \$23.5M from 2016 by 22%
- ➤OCR also achieved the single largest individual HIPAA settlement in history of \$16M with Anthem, Inc., representing a nearly three-fold increase over the previous record settlement of \$5.5M in 2016



#### **Paid Leave**

Total Number of Private Sector Workers Covered by Paid Sick Days, Paid Family Leave Insurance or Temporary Disability Insurance Laws, by State and Locality



- Nearly 45 million workers are covered by paid sick days laws;
- 33 million workers are covered by paid family leave laws; and
- More than 28 million workers are covered by both

## Federal Paid Leave Proposals

- Both parties are introducing paid family leave proposals in Congress, but the details differ significantly.
- Sen. Marco Rubio (R-FL) and Rep. Ann Wagner (R-MO) introduced a bill providing mothers and fathers with pay while caring for a new baby by allowing them to draw from future Social Security benefits
- Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY) and Rep. Rosa L. DeLauro (D-Conn) reintroduced the Family and Medical Insurance Leave (FAMILY) Act, which would provide workers with up to 12 weeks of partial income while taking family leave
  - This bill would create a family leave insurance, structured like unemployment insurance
  - Eligible workers could earn 66 percent of their monthly wages (capped at \$4,000) for up to 12 weeks of leave. The benefit would be funded by employer and employee payroll contributions

# **Questions?**

