

RICHARD W. OEHLING

Rick Oehling, who is a consultant in the Pittsburgh office of Compliance Concepts, Inc., has 38 years experience in the healthcare management and finance industry. Rick began his career with Blue Cross of Western Pennsylvania, where he performed Medicare cost report audits of hospitals, home health agencies and skilled nursing facilities. For the next 17 years, he served as Director of Fiscal Services at Somerset Hospital, where he was responsible for financial reporting, reimbursement, patient accounting, budgeting and communications. While at Somerset, Rick was also involved in several major projects resulting in significant increases in the hospital's physical capacity and patient services. These projects included the installation of financial computer systems and the start up of a durable medical equipment company. In addition to Rick's extensive hospital experience, he has also served as Director of Finance for a county-owned 610 bed skilled nursing/intermediate care facility

Immediately prior to joining CCI, Rick was employed by a major health system as the Operations Manager for their for-profit subsidiary, where he was responsible for their durable medical equipment company. During his employment, he was responsible for preparing policies and procedures for the successful JCAHO three-year accreditation.

While at Compliance Concepts, Rick has worked in the Finance area of a 371 bed hospital. While at the hospital his duties included Third Party reimbursement, responsible for the Payroll area and acted as Co-CFO for approximately one year. During this time he developed policies for recorded third party and bad debt reserves at month end.

Rick was the Interim CFO at a 50 bed hospital which was experiencing financial problems. A budget was prepared to eliminate the large losses they experienced during the previous years. During his tenure he qualified the hospital to receive Critical Access designation to improve Medicare reimbursement. In his 10 month stay he reduced the days in accounts receivable from 80 to 53 which provided additional the cash necessary to reduce accounts payable.

Most recently Rick has been involved with the operations of physician practices. Most recently he was involved with a 6 member physician practice that experienced problems in the billing and finance area. He was the acting practice manager for approximately six months.

EDUCATION

B.S., Accounting, West Liberty University

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Healthcare Financial Management Association, Advanced Member