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Course Information

Course Title: Affordable Care Act - Employer Mandate 292116

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Course Description

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) has brought about the most significant change in healthcare since the passage of the 1965 legislation that authorized Medicare. It imposes healthcare-related requirements on health plans, health insurers, employers and individuals.

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Program Delivery Method: Self-Study (NASBA QAS Self-Study/Interactive)

Subject Codes/Field of Study

NASBA (CPA): Taxes.

IRS (EA, OTRP): Federal Tax Law.

Course Level, Prerequisites, and Advance Preparation Requirements Program Level

CFP Board: Intermediate; NASBA/CPA, IRS: Overview.

This program is appropriate for professionals at all organizational levels.

Prerequisites: Basic familiarity with federal taxation.

Advance Preparation: None

Course Content

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Final exam (online): Twenty-five questions (multiple-choice).

Instructions for taking this course

You must complete this course within one year of the date of purchase (if you do not complete the course within one year, contact us to determine whether an updated edition of the course is available, in which case we will provide you with a PDF of the updated course and the online exam at no charge).

A passing grade of at least 70% is required on the final exam for this course. You may retake the exam if you do not pass it on the first attempt (no charge).

Complete the course by following the learning objectives listed on page one, studying the chapter-text, then studying the review quiz at the end of the chapter (answers to chapter review quizzes are at the end of the text). Once you have completed each chapter and you are confident that the learning objectives have been met, answer the final exam questions (online).

Instructions for Taking the Final Exam Online

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- Go to "My Account" and view your course.
- Select "Take Exam" for this course and follow instructions.

Additional Information

- The exam may be started, stopped, then resumed at a later date.
- The exam is "open book," it is not timed, and it may be retaken if not passed on the first attempt (no charge).
- Results (correct, incorrect answers) and certificate appear immediately upon passing the exam.
- EA credits are reported weekly.

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Introduction

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Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this course, you should be able to:

- List the principal coverage provisions of the PPACA;
- Recognize the shared responsibility requirements for applicable employers regarding employee health coverage;
- Compute the potential tax penalties that may be imposed under the PPACA for an employer's failure to meet the applicable shared responsibility requirements; and
- Calculate the tax credits for which a small employer may be eligible for providing employee health insurance coverage.