Adjunct Services Committee Regulator-Only Call June 21, 2024 Call Summary

The Adjunct Services Committee discussed industry responses to the questions on the Compact Roundtable agenda as well as the feedback during the Roundtable. The purpose of the survey and the Roundtable was to have companies provide input on how they would like to see the Compact evolve. The focus was on additional services or improvements to the process. A summary of the May 15th Compact Roundtable is on the Compact website.

The message from the Roundtable was to start working on outlining and conducting a pilot process for product concepts that do not fall within the existing Uniform Standards. The Compact Office covered the types of concepts it has seen and could not review because not within scope.

The Office Adjunct Services Committee discussed a pilot process for reviewing features not covered by the Uniform Standards. The committee agreed on the need for a pilot program to test and develop a collaborative regulatory review process facilitated by the Compact Office to consider new product concepts.

The Committee solicited feedback from member states on their process for considering new product ideas. Shannen Logue of Pennsylvania went over their department's team approach for considering new product concepts. Mary Block of Vermont explained what things their department considers when a company comes to them with a new idea.

Several items for consideration were offered: 1) develop a questionnaire for companies to submit new product ideas; 2) explore ways to involve stakeholders, including consumer representatives, especially if the product concept would lead to a new Uniform Standard or wide state approval; 3) put in place limitations and guardrails for eligible product ideas; 4) determine the costs and fee structure to support initiative.

The Committee will send out a survey to all committee members and interested regulators to solicit feedback on their processes for new product consideration and their level of interest in participating in a pilot process.