

## Mini Kapoor in Relias Media Article: 'OSHA Inspecting Hospitals for Compliance with COVID-19 Issues'

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[Mini Kapoor](#), a partner in the Occupational Safety and Health and Litigation practice groups, was quoted in a Relias Media article titled “OSHA Inspecting Hospitals for Compliance with COVID-19 Issues. Read more below:

As the enforcement of the US Trademark Modernization Act heralds changes for brand safeguarding, attorneys predict opportunities but also marked challenges. OSHA’s COVID-19 Focused Inspection Initiative in Healthcare<sup>1</sup> is underway, with inspectors visiting hospitals and other healthcare facilities to determine compliance with requirements related to the pandemic.

The inspections are part of a limited program, says Ian D. Meklinsky, JD, partner with Fox Rothschild in Princeton, NJ. It will end June 9. Meklinsky explains that it is focused on these elements:

Follow-up of any prior inspection where a COVID-19-related citation or hazard alert letter was issued

- Follow-up or monitoring inspections for randomly selected closed COVID-19 unprogrammed activity (UPA), including COVID-19 complaints and Rapid Response Investigations (RRIs)
- Monitoring inspections for randomly selected, remote-only COVID-19 inspections for sites that received related citations ...

OSHA has stated a hospital in compliance with the terms of the Emergency Temporary Standard (ETS) will satisfy respiratory protection and PPE standards, says Mini Kapoor, PhD, JD, partner with Haynes Boone in Houston.

“That’s almost like a safe harbor if OSHA comes knocking. The respiratory and PPE standards are the most commonly cited by OSHA regarding COVID,” Kapoor explains. “An easy path is to go back to the plans that were in place in 2021 for these requirements and continue to implement those safety measures.”

To read the full article, click [here](#).