# **Asia Pac Hot Compliance Markets Updates**

- Update from VIETNAM -

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### Pharmaceutical Law 2016

## A milestone achievement in healthcare in Vietnam;

## **Enforcement upon Multinational Pharmaceutical Companies in Vietnam**;

#### Business Operational Model

 Restructuring of business operational model by setting up commercial legal entities (subsidiary companies instead of Representative Office model);

#### > Distribution & Supply Chain

- FDI companies are unable to engage in distribution sector for pharmaceuticals;
- Pharmaceutical companies have to find new local distributors (100% local investment) and "restructure" the supply chain channels;
- Pharmaceutical companies must work directly with qualified local distributors in distribution;

#### > The Practicing License of Medical/ Sale Representative

In order have the "practicing license" (called Medical/ Sale Representative Card), the Medical/ Sale
Representative must have a college degree or higher in medicine or pharmacy.

# Legal Regimes on Anti-Corruption

#### 2015 Penal Code

- Corporate liability
  - Commercial legal entities may be subject to criminal liable for some key offenses
- Corruption-related offenses being extended to the Private Sector
  - The act of directly giving bribes or acting as an intermediary in giving bribes to either public or private officials shall be subject to criminal liability

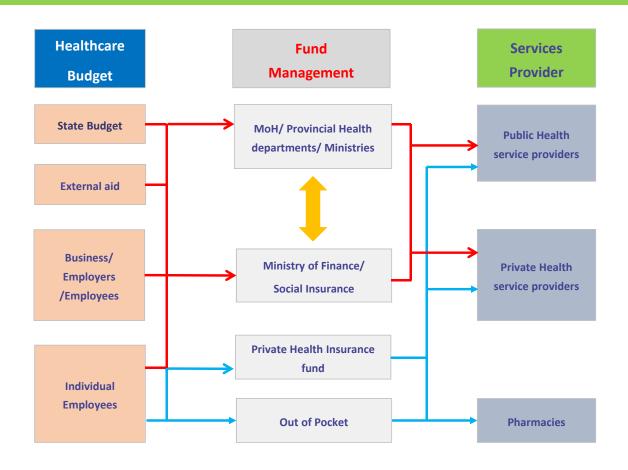
# ▶ Proposed provisions relating to Business Integrity □ Strengthening regulations on integrity of public officials; □ Introducing control of conflicts of interest; □ Promoting a non-corrupt culture; □ Applying requirements for preventive measures ▶ New Obligations for Private Sector □ Code of conduct □ Internal control duty □ Duty to report corrupt acts ▶ Additional rules for public companies and credit institutions □ Code of conduct □ Internal control duty □ Internal control duty

Duty to report corrupt acts Operational transparency

Managers' assets transparency

# **BACK UP – For Reference**

# The Healthcare System in Vietnam is complex with many stakeholders





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