

*Joint Commission Presentation: Potential Questions for Discussion*

- How does the Joint Commission use data to inform the survey process? What data do you look at? How is data used to determine priority focus areas?
- Can you walk through the process of analyzing data, deciding what to prioritize for tracer areas, and how the tracer methodology works while you are on-site? How is the experience for surveyors different when using tracer methodology as compared to the standard methodology?
- Do other states align the Joint Commission survey process with their own licensing survey (e.g., participate or observe)? If so, how does that work?
- How do states align licensing status with the Joint Commission survey process?
- What kind of variation is there in how states deem Joint Commission accreditation?
- What standards do states typically deem? Are there particular areas that states tend to survey themselves, even if they deem for others?
- Does the Joint Commission ever survey for certain standards on behalf of the state?
- Does the Joint Commission ever share oversight of a hospital with a state when there is a provisional deficiency?
- When a state deems based on JC accreditation, what typically happens to the Joint Commission's findings? Are they fully disclosed to the state? The public?
- Do other states look behind the Joint Commission survey process?