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Onboarding high-risk clients and establishing high-risk relationships requires enhanced due diligence and ongoing monitoring, as mandated by FINTRAC. This involves taking additional precautions to fully understand the risks to which your business may be exposed.

To help navigate this complex area of compliance, Shellyna Lipic, a seasoned Compliance Leader with nearly a decade of industry experience, walks participants through the key components of the high-risk client onboarding process. This includes how to conduct enhanced due diligence (EDD), meet ongoing monitoring obligations, and update internal compliance programs to reflect these elevated standards.

Key Takeaways:

- **Identifying Risk Factors:** Learn how to assess clients for indicators of elevated money laundering or terrorist financing risk.
- **Enhanced Client Identification:** Understand what additional information and verification steps are required for high-risk clients.
- **Enhanced Ongoing Monitoring:** Explore how to maintain heightened scrutiny over transactions and client behavior over time.
- **Updating Your Compliance Program:** Ensure your policies, procedures, and controls meet FINTRAC's expectations for high-risk scenarios.
- **Documentation of Best Practices:** Learn how to properly document your EDD efforts and monitoring activities to satisfy regulatory requirements.

This session is essential for compliance professionals, onboarding teams, and business leaders who are responsible for managing financial crime risk. Stay ahead of compliance obligations and protect your organization from reputational and regulatory risk by strengthening your onboarding and monitoring practices.



Shellyna Lipic

Shellyna has spent the last decade helping organizations build and maintain successful compliance programs. She has become well recognized and respected in the industry and has built her career as CAMLO for a number of reporting sectors. Now working as a Senior Compliance Officer for Canada ICI, she's helping this newly regulated industry navigate the challenges of AML compliance using her experience as a guide.

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