



STATE OF MARYLAND

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DHMH OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

- Investigates fraud, waste, and abuse of DHMH and federal funds

TO REPORT FRAUD, WASTE, or ABUSE:

Call the **OIG HOTLINE** at 866-770-7175

Utilize forms on **OIG website** <http://dhmh.maryland.gov/oig/SitePages/reportfraud.aspx>

Reports may be made anonymously.

EXAMPLES OF HEALTHCARE FRAUD or FALSE BILLING BY MEDICAID PROVIDER:

- Billing for services not rendered
- Double billing
- Billing for phantom visits
- Billing more hours than exist in a day
- Falsifying credentials; Employing individuals barred from Medicaid/Medicare participation.
- Submitting claims under Individual's Medicaid provider number for services provided by other clinicians.
- Bill for one medication, but substitute generic drugs
- Billing for medically unnecessary services or tests
- Billing more expensive procedures not performed, e.g. upcoding. (Documentation must support service billed)
- False cost reports
- Kickbacks
- Retaining overpayments.
- Submitting claims for services not provided in accordance with Medicaid regulations and Practice Act.

EXAMPLES OF HEALTHCARE FRAUD BY MEDICAID RECIPIENT

- Use Medicaid card of another person
- Drug shopping
- Has financial assets not reported.

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Web Site: <http://www.dhmh.maryland.gov/>