



Fraud Reduction

Strengthening Regulatory Compliance

Staff of the Department of Health and the Agency for Health Care Administration in Miami who oversee enrollment of providers in the Medicaid program investigated oxygen providers who used regulatory process gaps to obtain permits, licensing, and enrollment in Medicaid, thereby circumventing legislative intent and billing Medicaid and Medicare for services and products not provided. As a result of this interagency initiative, Medicaid expenditures were reduced by \$1.7 million. For more information, please contact Rosemarie Murphy at (305) 536-6588 or rosemarie.murphy@cms.hhs.gov. 2007 AHCA-019

Reduction of Fake IDs

Investigating the manufacture of fraudulent IDs, seizing equipment used in making them, arresting numerous subjects, and closing illegal enterprises reduced fake IDs available to underage persons, illegal immigrants, and criminals. For more information, please contact Willa Beckley at (850) 487-6599 or willa.beckley@dbpr.state.fl.us. 2007 DBPR-003

Unlicensed Insurance Activity

A methodology used to investigate an unlicensed insurance adjusting firm can be used in white collar crime and gang investigation units. In this case it was determined that a subject was negotiating a claim settlement for rental car accident victims without a license, that transfer and salvage of vehicle titles were being processed without a license, and that the perpetrators were not remitting taxes owed to the Department of Revenue for vehicle transactions totaling approximately \$364,431. For more information, please contact Kimberly Brown at (407) 835-4430 or kimberly.brown@fldfs.com. 2007 DFS-002

Food Stamp Fraud

A two-year investigation into food stamp trafficking through a single store identified nearly \$1.5 million in improperly issued benefits that can be collected and returned to the state, and identified more than 600 program recipients for abusing their state benefits. The investigation exposed a money laundering scheme and retail fraud involving more than \$10 million of unreported taxable sales. It also identified other retail stores that attracted the interest of federal domestic security authorities. For more information, please contact Jack Heacock at (786) 336-1013 or jackheacock@fdle.state.fl.us. 2007 FDLE-011