

Health Care Fraud Investigations

The Obama administration, as reported in Time Magazine recently, has committed \$1.7 billion this past fiscal year for fighting health care fraud, waste and abuse. Law enforcement efforts to combat health care fraud have been intensified. The U.S. Attorney's office in New Jersey has doubled its law enforcement personnel in the health care fraud unit.

Our firm has substantial expertise in health care related legal matters. Our representation has included:

Antitrust counseling and litigation, including private practice representation of hospitals and health care providers.

Antitrust representation and counseling in connection with healthcare mergers and acquisitions and medical provider and managed care agreements.

Representation of healthcare providers before administrative agencies, including the New Jersey Comptroller's Office and New Jersey Office of the Medicaid Inspector General in connection with reimbursement issues and alleged fraud and abuse.

Defense of medical providers in major civil lawsuits brought by insurers and other third party carriers involving reimbursement issues, including the propriety of billing and coding protocols. Defense of medical providers in actions alleging fraud and abuse, including actions brought under the New Jersey Insurance Fraud Prevention Act (N.J.S.A. 17A:33-1 et. seq.).

Defense of medical providers in civil actions involving alleged illegal self-referrals in violation of the Codey Act and Federal Stark Act.

Defense of medical providers in White Collar Criminal investigations, including federal criminal tax investigations.

Representation of medical providers in connection with Medicaid and Medicare Licensing issues.

Representation of health care providers before State Medical Boards.

Should a legal matter be brought to your attention requiring our firm's particular area of expertise in the health care area, I would be pleased to discuss such matters with you. Please feel free to visit our firm's website at www.whbesqs.com or call me at 973-992-5300 Ext. 322 or 973-715-4770 (cell).