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MEDICAL CLAIMS

DOJ charges nearly 80 people in \$2.5B healthcare fraud scheme

June 29, 2023, New York, NY -- The Department of Justice (DOJ) announced Wednesday it has charged 78 people relating to their alleged involvement in defrauding care programs for elderly and disabled people of more than \$2.5 billion. The identified defendants include a California chiropractor and acupuncturist; a New York resident who owned and operated eight durable medical equipment companies; and a Brooklyn-based medical assistant ...

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FRAUD GENERAL

D.A. Bragg announces indictments in major campaign finance fraud scheme amidst insurance scam

July 7, 2023, New York, NY -- Manhattan District Attorney Alvin L. Bragg, Jr., today announced the indictments of DWAYNE MONTGOMERY, 64, SHAMSUDDIN RIZA, 70, MILLICENT REDICK, 77, RONALD PEEK, 65, YAHYA MUSHTAQ, 28, SHAHID MUSHTAQ, 29, and ECOSAFETY CONSULTANTS INC. for conspiring to use a straw donor scheme to illegally generate matching funds from the New York City Campaign Finance Board

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LIFE INSURANCE

SEC charges former army financial counselor who defrauded gold star family members out of New York

July 7, 2023, Washington, DC -- The Securities and Exchange Commission today charged former U.S. Army financial counselor Caz L. Craffy for defrauding Gold Star family members and others by engaging in unauthorized trading—including of life insurance and family survivor benefits they received following the death of an active duty service member ...

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WORKERS COMP

Irish siblings convicted of fraud to face New York courts

June 30, 2023, New York, NY -- Donal O'Sullivan was sentenced to six months imprisonment for each of the 11 counts he was convicted of in 2021, to be served concurrently. He is subject to two years of supervised release as well as 100 hours of community service. Judge Pamela Chen fined Donal \$100 special assessment for each count, totaling \$1,100 ...

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FRAUD GENERAL

Rensselaer man sentenced for unemployment insurance fraud

July 6, 2023, Rensselaer, NY -- Taquan Parker, age 26, of Rensselaer, New York, was sentenced today to 13 months in prison for engaging in a fraudulent scheme to obtain more than \$60,000 in unemployment insurance benefits under the names of two other people, including benefits funded by the federal government in response to the COVID-19 pandemic ...

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MEDICAL CLAIMS

Geico files \$4.4M lawsuit, claiming medical providers submitted fraudulent claims

July 12, 2023, New York, NY -- A group of Geico entities has filed a nearly \$4.4 million lawsuit against several healthcare providers, alleging they submitted fraudulent no-fault insurance claims related to medically unnecessary and otherwise unreimbursable healthcare services.

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