

SIX REGIONS OF NAMFCU

Northeastern Region:

Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont

Eastern Region:

Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia

Southern Region:

Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee

Midwestern Region:

Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, and Wisconsin

Central Region:

Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, and Wyoming

Western Region:

Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, and Washington

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAID FRAUD CONTROL UNITS



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WHAT IS NAMFCU?

Founded in 1978, the **National Association of Medicaid Fraud Control Units** (NAMFCU) has played a pivotal role in providing the MFCUs with a national presence. Although membership by the MFCUs is voluntary, all 50 federally certified MFCUs are members of the Association. Membership is limited to federally certified MFCUs and each Unit is represented by their Director. The officers of the Association, the President and Vice-President are elected annually by the Directors. The President is the principal spokesperson for the Association, presides at all Association meetings, and appoints the chair and members of the various committees and working groups. There are six regions of NAMFCU and each region elects a representative annually. The six regional representatives, the President, the Vice-President, the Director of the New York MFCU and all past Presidents of the Association are members of the NAMFCU Executive Committee. This Committee manages the Association.



WHAT IS A MFCU?

A **Medicaid Fraud Control Unit** is a single identifiable entity of state government, annually certified by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, that conducts a statewide program for the investigation and prosecution of health care providers that defraud the Medicaid program. In addition, MFCU reviews complaints of abuse or neglect of nursing home residents. A Unit may review complaints of misappropriation of patients' private funds in these facilities. A Unit is also charged with investigating fraud in the administration of the program and may investigate fraud in other federally funded health care programs, such as Medicare, if the case is primarily related to Medicaid and received approval from the Inspector General or the relevant federal agency.



WHAT IS MEDICAID FRAUD?

Perpetrators of Medicaid fraud run the gamut from the solo practitioner who submits claims for services never rendered to large institutes that exaggerate the level of care provided to their patients and then alter patient records to conceal the resulting lack of care. The jurisdiction of the Medicaid Fraud Control Units is limited to investigation and prosecuting Medicaid provider fraud. The MFCUs have prosecuted individual providers such as physicians, dentists, and mental health professions. In addition, the Units have also prosecuted fraud in numerous segments of the health industry, such as hospitals nursing homes, home health care agencies, medical transportation companies, pharmaceutical manufactures and medical clinics.

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NAMFCU is housed at the National Association of Attorneys General in Washington, DC. This unique Association has enabled the Units to deter some of the largest and most insidious health care provider frauds, recover program dollars, punish corrupt practitioners, and prosecute those who abuse or neglect nursing homes residents.

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