

# Department of Inspector General Office of Medicaid Inspector General

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# **Quarterly Report Statistics and Information**

This quarterly report contains a statistical profile of the Medicaid fraud referrals, audits, investigations, recoveries, and initiatives from the Office of the Medicaid Inspector General (OMIG) for quarter one of the 2021 fiscal year.

#### **Recoveries/Recoupments/Initiatives**

July 1, 2020 to September 30, 2020 recoveries and recoupments sent to DHS Accounts Receivable for collection, and OMIG Initiatives where overpayments were identified and reported to the Division of Medical Services and DXC.

\$26,258.70

### **Audits and Investigations**

July 1, 2020 to September 30, 2020 Audits/Reviews

GRAND TOTAL	50
Recoupment Letters	20
Provider Self Audit Requests	0
Desk Audits	30
Onsite Audits/Reviews	0

# Referrals of Fraud and Prosecutions

#### A. Arkansas Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit

Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 20-77-2506, the Medicaid Inspector General shall work with the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU) of the Office of the Arkansas Attorney General, prosecuting attorneys, and law enforcement agencies. The Medicaid Inspector General refers audit investigations to MFCU when there is a credible allegation of fraud. See 42 CFR § 455.23.

From July 1, 2020 to September 30, 2020, **five (5)** Medicaid provider investigations have been referred to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit of the Attorney General's Office.

From July 1, 2020 to September 30, 2020, the Attorney General's Office obtained **one (1)** criminal conviction in which the defendant was ordered to pay restitution. The Attorney

General's Office had **one (1)** arrest. The total restitution equals **\$529.00** from this conviction. Total money collected from criminal convictions during this time was **\$ 3,480.00**.

#### **B. Other Suspected Fraud Referrals**

In addition to referrals of suspected fraud to the Arkansas Attorney General's Office, OMIG shall also make referrals and coordinate efforts with other federal, state and local law enforcement agencies. See Ark. Code Ann. §20-77-2506(2).

From July 1, 2020 to September 30, 2020, **thirty-one (31)** Medicaid recipients have been referred to the appropriate agency for further investigation.