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REPORT HIGHLIGHTS

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Georgia Medicaid Fraud Control Unit: 2024 Onsite Inspection

OIG administers the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU or Unit) grant awards, annually recertifies each Unit, and oversees the Units' compliance with the requirements of the grant and adherence to 12 established performance standards that reflect practices identified by OIG and MFCUs that will improve Unit effectiveness. As part of this oversight, OIG conducts periodic onsite inspections of Units and issues public reports of its findings and observations.

GA MFCU Case Outcomes

With an average staff size of 43 and total expenditures of $12.4 million during the review period, FY 2021 through FY 2023, the MFCU reported:

17 Indictments

17 Convictions

55 Civil Settlements and Judgments

$48,753,299 Total Recoveries

Performance Assessment

PERFORMANCE STANDARD	FINDINGS	RECOMMENDATIONS
PERFORMANCE STANDARD 2 **Staffing**	Understaffed during the review period Difficulty retaining staff and filling vacancies	Examine position descriptions and salaries to ensure a fair and competitive salary and benefit package that enables the Unit to recruit and retain qualified staff
PERFORMANCE STANDARD 3 **Policies and Procedures**	Did not always adhere to policies and procedures for documenting supervisory reviews Policies and procedures did not address maintaining an equipment inventory	See Performance Standards 7 and 11
PERFORMANCE STANDARD 4 **Maintaining Adequate Referrals**	Received a limited number of fraud referrals from the program integrity unit and managed care organizations Did not take sufficient steps to maintain adequate patient abuse or neglect referrals	Expand efforts to increase fraud and patient abuse or neglect referrals
PERFORMANCE STANDARD 7 **Maintaining Case Information**	Almost a quarter of case files were missing or contained late documentation of at least one supervisory review	Take steps to ensure that periodic supervisory reviews are documented in the case files
PERFORMANCE STANDARD 8 **Cooperation With Federal Authorities on Fraud Cases**	Did not report about half of convictions and adverse actions to Federal partners within the required timeframes	Take steps to ensure timely reporting of all convictions and adverse actions to Federal partners
PERFORMANCE STANDARD 11 **Fiscal Control**	Lacked policies and procedures for maintaining an equipment inventory Inventory list did not include equipment tracking information	Establish written policies and procedures for maintaining an equipment inventory and include information to track equipment Include information to track equipment in the Unit's equipment inventory list

The Unit concurred with all six recommendations.