



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

**OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL**

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The Honorable Lisa Madigan  
Attorney General  
Office of the Attorney General  
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Attn: Heather Tullio D'Orazio, Deputy Bureau Chief, Medicaid Fraud Bureau


Dear Madam Attorney General:

The Office of Inspector General (OIG) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) received your request to review the amended Illinois False Claims Act, Pub. Act. 100-0452 (amending 740 ILCS 175/3), under the requirements of section 1909 of the Social Security Act (the Act). Section 1909 of the Act provides a financial incentive for a State to enact a law relating to the submission of false or fraudulent claims to the State Medicaid program. For a State to qualify for this incentive, the State law must meet certain requirements enumerated under section 1909(b) of the Act, as determined by the Inspector General of HHS in consultation with the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ). We have determined, after consulting with DOJ, that the amended Illinois False Claims Act meets the requirements of section 1909 of the Act.

Any amendment to the Illinois False Claims Act could affect OIG's determination that it meets the requirements of section 1909 of the Act. Therefore, please notify OIG of any amendment to the Illinois False Claims Act within 30 days after such amendment.

If you have any questions regarding this review, please contact me or have your staff contact Lisa Veigel at 202-205-4489 or Geeta Taylor at 202-708-9730.

Sincerely,

  
Daniel R. Levinson  
Inspector General