

VIRGINIA MEDICAID FRAUD CONTROL UNIT



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On the Highways and Byways of Virginia

Since March of 2011, when Attorney General Cuccinelli extended outreach efforts to seniors, law enforcement and senior citizen service providers, MFCU's Community Outreach Coordinators in Richmond and Roanoke have traveled more than 4,000 miles and spoken to more than 3,500 Virginians helping to inform them on the latest methods proven to effectively prevent and/or report elder abuse and neglect.

Randy Davis and Mickey Mixon have spoken to small and large gatherings of seniors and manned the MFCU exhibit table at conferences across the Commonwealth. As a result, we

are establishing and strengthening programmatic partnerships between MFCU and community organizations, while providing an additional resource for investigative referrals.

More than 21 counties, cities and towns have already been visited by our Community Outreach Coordinators and their travel plans for 2012 are even more ambitious. From Accomack to Lee and from Frederick to Virginia Beach, the MFCU message will continue to be heard



AARP Lake of the Woods Presentation

wherever presentation opportunities are found.

As a result, vital information will be shared and communities will be motivated to work together in helping MFCU prevent and prosecute instances of elder abuse and neglect.

From the Mailbox

Randy,

Thank you for talking to the James River Rotary Club last week.. Your presentation was great and it was really informative. I had several people tell me after your program and again this week that there were so many things they were unaware of with Medicaid fraud. Your program helped to create an awareness of the fraud. Thanks again for taking the time out of your busy schedule to talk to our group.

Debbie Leidheiser

Chesterfield County Senior Advocate and Disability Services

If you suspect that Medicaid fraud or abuse, neglect or exploitation has occurred in a Medicaid facility or has been committed by someone working for a Medicaid provider, immediately report the incident to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU) of the Office of the Virginia Attorney General at

**1-800-371-0824 or
804-371-0779.**

Request a presentation on Medicaid Fraud for your church, club or civic group. Contact Randy Davis (Eastern Virginia) at 804-786-7750 or Mickey Mixon (Western Virginia) at 540-562-3571 today.

On the Road Again.



Community Outreach Coordinator Randy Davis introduced MFCU and Elder Abuse & Neglect Squad to members of the **Powhatan County TRIAD** during their first monthly meeting of the new year on Wednesday, January 4th. The meeting took place at 10:00 a.m. at the Powhatan Village Building.

The **Virginia Beach Triad** will have Randy as their speaker for their monthly meeting on Saturday, January 21st. Officer Dolly Deans (757-385-1066) will open the 10:00 a.m. meeting at the Marian Manor, 5345 Marian Lane, in Virginia Beach.

Prince Edward Presentation

The Prince Edward TRIAD held a crime prevention conference for senior citizens at the Farmville Moose Lodge on December 9th with representatives from the Virginia Attorney General's Office as their guest speakers. Randy Davis gave a presentation on Medicaid Fraud, while Juanita Balenger delivered a talk on scams and other frauds.

Pictured below from left to right are: incoming Prince Edward TRIAD Chairperson, Karla Ellington; McGruff the "Crime Dog," Mr. Davis; Mrs. Balenger; and outgoing Chairman, Det. Sgt. W. H. Hogan.



VIRGINIA TRIAD

What if you suspect fraud by a Medicaid Recipient?



What can you do if you suspect fraud by a Medicaid recipient?

Please contact the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS).

Recipient fraud can include:

- *the deliberate failure to report income or to disclose resources
 - *unreported change in household member composition
 - *uncompensated asset transfer
 - *Medicaid card sharing, prescription fraud and drug diversion
- Non-fraud examples are:
- *eligibility errors due to recipient misunderstanding
 - *agency errors
 - *when Medicaid-covered services con-

tinue during the appeal process and the agency's cancellation action is upheld

When the investigation confirms that an individual received Medicaid services fraudulently, the claims paid on the recipient's behalf are determined and the overpayment amount is identified. Recipient fraud cases can be prosecuted by the local Commonwealth's Attorney's Office or in Federal court when joint investigations are involved.

**The MFCU is statutorily prohibited from investigating Medicaid recipient fraud.*

To Report Recipient Fraud, Contact DMAS:

By telephone:
1-866-486-1971 or
(804) 786-1066

By mail:
Department of Medical Assistance Services
Recipient Audit Unit
600 East Broad Street
Suite 1300
Richmond, Virginia 23219

By e-mail:
Recipient-Fraud@DMAS.virginia.gov



MFCU Outreach Coordinator Mickey Mixon

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Check out the new Virginia Medicaid Fraud Control Unit's Facebook page today at www.facebook.com/VAMFCU to keep up with the latest news on Medicaid Fraud from across the Commonwealth and the nation. While there, you can also access detailed information about MFCU, including our mission, awards, and contact information. View and download photos of our recent visits community organizations. Watch videos and check our calendar of events for upcoming presentations in your area. And, don't forget to click the “like” button if you want to join our list of friends.

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