

## **HEALTH CARE FRAUD ELIMINATION TASK FORCE**

**Public Meeting  
Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, June 28, 2016  
3:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.**

**Chicago Location: James R. Thompson Center  
100 W. Randolph Street, Second Floor, Room #2-025  
Chicago, IL 60601**

**Springfield Location (videoconference): Stratton Building  
401 S. Spring Street, Third Floor, Room 349C  
Springfield, IL 62706**

The Health Care Fraud Elimination Task Force met and held a meeting open to the public on June 28, 2016, at 3:30 p.m. at the James R. Thompson Center, 100 W. Randolph Street, room 025. There was a live videoconference feed to the Stratton Office Building in Springfield, 401 South Spring Street, room 349C.

The Task Force members in attendance were the Executive Inspector General for the Agencies of the Illinois Governor, the Deputy Governor for the Office of the Governor, the Chief Compliance Officer for the Office of the Governor, the Special Counsel and Policy Advisor for Healthcare and Human Services for the Office of the Governor, the Inspector General for the Department of Healthcare and Family Services Office of Inspector General, the Director of the Illinois State Police Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, the Director of the Department on Aging, the Director of the Department of Central Management Services, the Director of the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, the Secretary of the Department of Human Services, the Secretary of the Department of Innovation and Technology, and the Director of the Department of Insurance.

### **I. Welcome**

Executive Inspector General (EIG) Maggie Hickey, chair of the Task Force, welcomed everyone to the meeting and gave the members of the Task Force the opportunity to introduce themselves.

### **II. Outline of Task Force Goals and Progress**

Chair EIG Maggie Hickey led a discussion on the goals of the Task Force and the steps it has taken since its creation. Chair EIG Hickey discussed the Task Force's review of state and private industry best practices in addressing fraud, waste, and abuse in health care programs. Chair EIG Hickey also outlined next steps the Task Force will be taking.

### **III. United States Department of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General**

United States Department of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General Special Agent in Charge Lamont Pugh III discussed issues related to health care fraud, waste, and

abuse in Illinois and highlighted the fact that the largest health care fraud takedown in history occurred in June 2016. Special Agent in Charge Pugh further discussed improper payments made in Medicaid and Medicare programs. He also stated the importance of data analytics and data review to combat health care fraud.

#### **IV. Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services Office of Inspector General**

Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services Office of Inspector General (HFS OIG) Inspector General Bradley Hart discussed HFS OIG, including the structure of HFS OIG and the work each of its bureaus to address Medicaid fraud, waste, and abuse. Inspector General Hart also discussed HFS OIG's cost savings and avoidance in fraud, waste, and abuse in Medicaid programs in fiscal year 2015.

#### **V. Illinois State Police Medicaid Fraud Control Unit**

Illinois State Police Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (ISP MFCU) Director, Captain Brian Ley, discussed MFCU's work in combating health care fraud, waste, and abuse in Illinois, including health care fraud trends and collaboration with federal entities. He also outlined the structure of MFCU and the referral process.

#### **VI. Task Force Questions & Answers**

The Task Force members engaged in a discussion regarding the focus of the Task Force, which included the potential for policy changes. The Task Force members discussed the importance of data mining and analytics, and the impact these tools have on combating health care fraud, waste, and abuse in Illinois.

#### **VII. Public Comments & Questions**

Chair EIG Maggie Hickey invited the public attendees to raise any comments or questions. The public attendees did not have any questions or comments.

Chair EIG Maggie Hickey adjourned the meeting.