



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

WASHINGTON, DC 20201



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The Honorable Letitia James
Office of Attorney General
The Capitol
Albany, NY 12224-0341

Attn: Director, Medicaid Fraud Control Unit

Dear Madam Attorney General:

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General (OIG), received your office's request to review the amended New York False Claims Act, N.Y. State Fin. Law §§ 187 through 194, 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 Health and Human Services in consultation with the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ). After consulting with DOJ, we have determined that the amended New York False Claims Act meets the requirements of section 1909 of the Act.

Any further amendment to the New York 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 New York 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 or Katie Arnholt at 202-619-0335.

Sincerely,

/s/ Daniel R. Levinson

Daniel R. Levinson
Inspector General