



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **JOINT HEALTHCARE CASE FOCUSES ON PHARMACIES**

Tampa, Florida – Today, federal search warrants were executed at local pharmacies in Madeira Beach, Clearwater, and Seminole, Florida.

Representatives of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Pinellas County Sheriff's Office, Florida Attorney General's Office – Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, Health and Human Services – OIG, United States Office of Personnel Management – OIG, Drug Enforcement Administration, Defense Criminal Investigative Service, United States Attorney's Office, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation have teamed up to investigate multi-million dollar healthcare fraud allegations involving local pharmacies.

Investigative matters are related to United States Code Title 18, Section 287 - False or Fraudulent Claims, 371 - Conspiracy to Defraud, 1341 - Mail Fraud, 1343 - Wire Fraud, 1347 - Health Care Fraud, and Title 21, Section 841 - Illegal Manufacturing, Distribution, and Dispensing of a Controlled Substance.

Anyone with information about this matter should contact the FBI Tampa Field Office at 813/253-1000.

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