

# Report to the Medicaid and Public Assistance Fraud Oversight Task Force

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### 1. Number of fraud referrals to HHSC and origin of each referral?

During the third quarter of the Fiscal Year 2000, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission's Office of Investigations and Enforcement received a total of **193** referrals of potential Medicaid fraud and/or abuse. The referral sources and number of potential cases breakdowns as follows:

Referral Source	Total Received
Office of the Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU)	18
Board of Medical Examiners	19
Board of Physician Assistants Examiners	1
State Medicaid Director	1
Texas Department of Human Services	8
Texas Department of Human Services, Long Term Care	1
Health and Human Services/Office Inspector General	24
Medicaid Fraud and Abuse Detection Systems (MFADS)	7
Health and Human Service Commission, Office of Investigations & Enforcement, Medicaid Program Integrity	1
Surveillance & Utilization Review System (SURS)	67
Texas Department of Health (TDH)	1
Provider	3
Public	42
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>193</b>

### 2. Time spent investigating each case?

The Health and Human Services Commission's Office of Investigations and Enforcement closed **329** cases for the third quarter in Fiscal Year 2000. The average amount of staff time spent on each of these investigations was 1304.5 hours.

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### 3. Number of cases investigated each month, by program and region?

#### March 2000

During the month of March, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission's Office of Investigations and Enforcement closed **79** investigations on Medicaid fraud and/or abuse cases. Of these cases, **76** were within the Acute Care Program, **1** was within the Long Term Care Program, and **2** were within other programs. The program areas affected are as follows:

Acute Care Program	Region/County	# Cases Per Region
Dental Group	Region 6/Brazoria	1
Dental Group	Region 6/Harris	1
Dentist	Region 2/Childress	1
Dentist	Region 3/Collin	1
Dentist	Region 4/Hopkins	1
Dentist	Region 11/Cameron	1
Home Health Agencies	Region 1/Lubbock	2
Home Health Agencies	Region 1/Potter	1
Home Health Agencies	Region 4/Smith	1
Home Health Agencies	Region 6/Brazoria	1
Home Health Agencies	Region 6/Harris	1
Home Health Agencies	Region 6/Liberty	1
Home Health Agencies	Region 7/Bell	1
Home Health Agencies	Region 7/Travis	1
Home Health Agencies	Region 8/Bexar	1
Home Health Agencies	Region 10/El Paso	1
Hospital	California	1
Hospital	Region 1/Dallam	1
Hospital	Region 1/Floyd	1
Hospital	Region 1/Hockley	1
Hospital	Region 1/Potter	1
Hospital	Region 3/Collin	1
Hospital	Region 3/Dallas	6
Hospital	Region 3/Hunt	2
Hospital	Region 4/Anderson	1
Hospital	Region 4/Bowie	1
Hospital	Region 4/Gregg	1
Hospital	Region 5/Jasper	1
Hospital	Region 5/Jefferson	1
Hospital	Region 5/Nacogdoches	1

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Hospital	Region 5/Polk	1
Hospital	Region 6/Harris	1
Hospital	Region 6/Montgomery	1
Hospital	Region 7/Travis	2
Hospital	Region 7/Williamson	1
Hospital	Region 8/Bexar	5
Hospital	Region 9/Gaines	1
Hospital	Region 9/Midland	1
Hospital	Region 10/El Paso	1
Laboratory	Region 1/Potter	1
Medical Supply Company	Region 4/Bowie	1
Medical Supply Company	Region 10/El Paso	1
Physician	Michigan	1
Physician	Region 2/Brown	1
Physician	Region 3/Denton	1
Physician	Region 5/Orange	1
Physician	Region 6/Harris	1
Physician	Region 7/Brazos	1
Physician	Region 7/Milam	1
Physician	Region 8/Maverick	2
Physician	Region 10/El Paso	1
Physician	Region 11/Cameron	1
Physician	Region 11/Nueces	1
Physician Group	Region 3/Dallas	1
Physician Group	Region 4/Anderson	2
Physician Group	Region 6/Harris	1
Physician Group	Region 11/Hidalgo	1
Physician Group	Region 11/Starr	1
TCADA	Region 3/Dallas	2
TCADA	Region 6/Harris	1
TCADA	Region 11/Hidalgo	1
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>76</b>

Long Term Care Program	Region/County	# Cases Per Region
Nursing Home	Region 2/Wichita	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>1</b>

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Other Program	Region/County	# Cases Per Region
CCP Provider	Region 6/Harris	1
Corporation	California	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>2</b>

## April 2000

During the month of April, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission's Office of Investigations and Enforcement closed **29** investigations on Medicaid fraud and/or abuse cases. Of these cases, **21** were within the Acute Care Program and **8** were within other programs. The program areas affected are as follows:

Acute Care Program	Region/County	# Cases Per Region
Dentist	Region 3/Erath	1
Dentist	Region 4/Hopkins	1
Dentist	Region 8/Atascosa	1
Dentist	Region 8/Bexar	1
Dentist Group	Region 4/Hopkins	1
Dentist Group	Region 7/Bastrop	1
Home Health Agencies	Region 2/Eastland	1
Licensed Professional Counselor CCP	Region 6/Harris	1
Medical Supply Company	Florida	1
Optician	Region 4/Harrison	1
Physician	Region 1/Deaf Smith	1
Physician	Region 1/Potter	1
Physician	Region 5/Liberty	1
Physician	Region 8/Bexar	1
Physician	Region 10/El Paso	1
Physician	Region 11/Hidalgo	3
Physician	Region 11/Kleberg	1
Physician	Region 6/Harris	1
Physician	Region 7/Travis	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>21</b>

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Other Program	Region/County	# Cases Per Region
Corporation	Georgia	1
Individual/Other	Illinois	1
Individual/Other	Region 11/Hidalgo	1
Individual/Other	Region 11/Hidalgo	1
Individual/Other	Region 5/Jefferson	1
Individual/Other	Region 6/Colorado	1
Individual/Other	Region 6/Harris	1
Individual/Other	Region 8/Bexar	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>8</b>

### May 2000

During the month of May the Texas Health and Human Services Commission's Office of Investigations and Enforcement closed **221** investigations on Medicaid fraud and/or abuse cases. Of these cases, **149** were within the Acute Care Program, **63** were within the Long Term Care Program, and **9** were within other programs. The program areas affected are as follows:

Acute Care Program	Region/County	# Cases Per Region
Chiropractor	Region 2/Brown	1
Chiropractor	Region 3/Dallas	1
Chiropractor	Region 6/Galveston	1
Chiropractor	Region 6/Harris	2
Chiropractor	Region 8/Medina	1
Clinic	Region 11/Aransas	1
Clinic	Oklahoma	1
Dentist	Region 1/Lubbock	2
Dentist	Region 3/Tarrant	1
Dentist	Region 4/Anderson	1
Dentist	Region 4/Red River	1
Dentist	Region 5/Jefferson	1
Dentist	Region 6/Harris	1
Dentist	Region 6/Harris	2
Dentist	Region 8/Bexar	4
Dentist	Region 11/Cameron	1
Dentist	Region 11/Hidalgo	1

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Dentist	Region 11/Webb	1
Dentist Group	Region 3/Dallas	1
Dentist Group	Region 3/Tarrant	1
Dentist Group	Region 6/Harris	6
Dentist Group	Region 7/Bell	1
Dentist Group	Region 7/Travis	1
Dentist Group	Region 11/Starr	1
Family Planning Clinic	Region 6/Montgomery	1
Home Health Agencies	Region 3/Tarrant	1
Home Health Agencies	Region 6/Harris	1
Home Health Agencies	Region 7/Brazos	1
Home Health Agencies	Region 8/Bexar	1
Hospital	Louisiana	1
Hospital	Region 1/Hockley	1
Hospital	Region 1/Potter	1
Hospital	Region 2/Coleman	1
Hospital	Region 3/Dallas	2
Hospital	Region 4/Hopkins	1
Hospital	Region 5/Tyler	1
Hospital	Region 6/Chambers	1
Hospital	Region 6/Galveston	2
Hospital	Region 6/Harris	1
Hospital	Region 6/Harris	6
Hospital	Region 6/Wharton	1
Hospital	Region 7/McLennan	1
Hospital	Region 8/Bexar	2
Hospital	Region 8/Gillespie	1
Hospital	Region 8/Victoria	1
Hospital	Region 10/El Paso	2
Hospital	Region 11/Cameron	2
Hospital	Region 11/Hidalgo	2
Hospital	Region 11/Nueces	1
Hospital	Region 11/San Patricio	1
Laboratory	California	2
Laboratory	Missouri	1
Laboratory	Oklahoma	2
Laboratory	Region 1/Lubbock	1
Laboratory	Region 1/Potter	1
Laboratory	Region 3/Dallas	1

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Acute Care Program	Region/County	# Cases Per Region
Laboratory	Region 4/Smith	1
Medical Supply Company	Region 3/Tarrant	1
Orthodontist	Region 3/Tarrant	1
Orthodontist	Region 5/Jefferson	1
Physician	Arizona	2
Physician	California	1
Physician	Louisiana	1
Physician	Massachusetts	1
Physician	Region 1/Dickens	1
Physician	Region 1/Hale	1
Physician	Region 3/Collin	1
Physician	Region 3/Dallas	4
Physician	Region 3/Denton	1
Physician	Region 3/Tarrant	2
Physician	Region 6/Harris	7
Physician	Region 8/Bexar	2
Physician	Region 8/Val Verde	1
Physician	Region 9/Ector	2
Physician	Region 9/Midland	1
Physician	Region 9/Tom Green	1
Physician	Region 10/El Paso	5
Physician	Region 11/Cameron	3
Physician	Region 11/Hidalgo	7
Physician	Region 11/Nueces	1
Physician	Region 11/San Patricio	1
Physician	Region 11/Webb	2
Physician Group	Region 1/Potter	1
Physician Group	Region 3/Dallas	1
Physician Group	Region 4/Smith	1
Physician Group	Region 4/Titus	1
Physician Group	Region 6/Harris	2
Physician Group	Region 8/Bexar	1
Physician Group	Region 11/Cameron	3
Physician Group	Region 11/Hidalgo	2
Physician Group	Region 11/Willacy	2
Physicians Assistant	Region 10/El Paso	1
Podiatrist	New Jersey	1
Rehabilitation Centers	Region 11/Hidalgo	1
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Long Term Care Program	Region/County	# Cases Per Region
Nurse	Alabama	1
Nurse	Arkansas	1
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Nurse	California	1
Nurse	Indiana	1
Nurse	Oklahoma	1
Nurse	Region 1/Crosby	1
Nurse	Region 1/Hale	1
Nurse	Region 1/Lubbock	1
Nurse	Region 1/Potter	1
Nurse	Region 2/Callahan	1
Nurse	Region 2/Stephens	1
Nurse	Region 3/Collin	1
Nurse	Region 3/Dallas	7
Nurse	Region 3/Erath	1
Nurse	Region 3/Fannin	1
Nurse	Region 3/Grayson	2
Nurse	Region 3/Tarrant	1
Nurse	Region 4/Anderson	2
Nurse	Region 4/Bowie	1
Nurse	Region 4/Cass	1
Nurse	Region 4/Cherokee	2
Nurse	Region 4/Gregg	1
Nurse	Region 4/Van Zandt	1
Nurse	Region 5/Sabine	1
Nurse	Region 6/Galveston	4
Nurse	Region 6/Harris	3
Nurse	Region 6/Wharton	1
Nurse	Region 7/Travis	1
Nurse	Region 7/Williamson	1
Nurse	Region 8/Bexar	3
Nurse	Region 8/Kerr	1
Nurse	Region 8/Victoria	1
Nurse	Region 9/Howard	1
Nurse	Region 9/Midland	3
Nurse	Region 10/El Paso	1
Nurse	Region 11/Hidalgo	1
Nurse	Region 11/Nueces	1
Nurse	Region 11/Refugio	1



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Nursing Home	Region 1/Hockley	1
Nursing Home	Region 3/Dallas	1
Nursing Home	Region 4/Harrison	1
Nursing Home	Region 6/Liberty	1
Pediatric Nurse Practitioner	Region 6/Montgomery	2
<b>Total</b>		<b>63</b>

Other Program	Region/County	# Cases Per Region
Individual/Other	Region 3/Dallas	2
Individual/Other	Region 7/Brazos	1
Individual/Other	Region 2/Wichita	1
Individual/Other	Region 7/Bastrop	1
Mental Health Mental Retardation	Region 6/Harris	3
Mental Health Mental Retardation	Region 10/El Paso	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>9</b>

**4. Dollar value of each fraud case that results in a criminal conviction.**

During the third quarter of Fiscal Year 2000, there were no cases referred to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU), Office of the Attorney General, for potential criminal prosecution.

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**5. Number of cases the office rejected and reason for rejection by region?**

During the third quarter of Fiscal Year 2000, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission's Office of Investigations and Enforcement rejected **10** cases for full-scale investigation. The determination of the viability of a full-scale investigation is based on a variety of factors, such as insufficient evidence, when each referral is in the preliminary investigative stage. The breakdown is as follows:

<b>Month</b>	<b>Number Rejected</b>	<b>Region/County</b>	<b>Rejection Reason</b>
<b>March 2000</b>	1	Region 2/Brown	Insufficient Evidence
	1	Region 11/Cameron	Not Cost Effective
<b>April 2000</b>	1	Region 1/Potter	Insufficient Evidence
	1	Region 2/Eastland	Not Within Jurisdiction
	1	Region 5/Jefferson	Not Within Jurisdiction
	1	Region 6/Harris	Not Within Jurisdiction
	1	Region 6/Colorado	Not Within Jurisdiction
	1	Region 11/Hidalgo	Not Within Jurisdiction
	1	Region 11/Hidalgo	Insufficient Evidence
<b>May 2000</b>	1	Region 4/Harrison	Insufficient Evidence
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10</b>		