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Adult Medical Daycare Center in Jersey City Agrees to Repay Nearly \$299,000 to Medicaid

TRENTON – Family Senior Health, LLC, which does business as Senior Spirit of Jersey City (“Senior Spirit”), has agreed to repay almost \$299,000 to the Medicaid program after an investigation conducted by the state’s Medicaid Fraud Division (“MFD”) within the Office of the State Comptroller found that Senior Spirit improperly billed for its services.

MFD investigators discovered that Senior Spirit submitted claims for having provided services to Medicaid beneficiaries in excess of the 200 Medicaid beneficiaries maximum daily limit in effect at the time. The conduct occurred between mid-2011 and mid-2014. Senior Spirit has agreed to repay the full amount owed, almost \$299,000, pursuant to the terms of a Settlement Agreement reached with the Medicaid Fraud Division.

“Accurate billing is vital to ensuring Medicaid funds are being spent correctly. Our Medicaid Fraud Division verifies that providers like Senior Spirit bill for their services accurately and appropriately and, when they do not, it ensures that they repay the Medicaid program for any overpayments they received,” State Comptroller Philip James Degnan said.

MFD serves as the state’s independent watchdog for New Jersey’s various Medicaid programs and works to ensure that the state’s Medicaid dollars are being spent effectively and efficiently. As part of its oversight role, MFD audits and investigates health care providers, managed care organizations and Medicaid recipients to identify and recover improperly expended Medicaid funds and identify and redress quality of care issues affecting the health of Medicaid recipients.

The claims settled by this agreement are allegations only; there have been no admissions of liability.

Suspected Medicaid waste, fraud or abuse can be reported to the MFD by calling its toll-free hotline at (888) 937-2835 or by submitting a complaint form located at the following address: <http://www.state.nj.us/comptroller/divisions/medicaid/complaint.html>.

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A copy of the settlement can be viewed by clicking [here](#).