"I’m grateful to our federal and state partners for helping bring this person to account. Medicaid resources belong to the taxpayers, and we’ll hold accountable anyone who defrauds the program."

- Attorney General Josh Stein


**Anti-Kickback Statute**

42 U.S.C. §1320a-7b and NCGS § 108A-63

The Anti-Kickback Statute prohibits bribes, payments or rewards (directly or indirectly) – or the solicitation or offers of such remuneration – in connection with practically every aspect of health care delivery when any portion of those goods or services are paid for with federal dollars. Violations of the Anti-Kickback Statute can result in a felony conviction for the offenders, fines of up to $25,000, and imprisonment for up to five years. Anti-Kickback violations also usually constitute violations of the False Claims Act, meaning that Anti-Kickback investigations can likewise result in fraud liability.

**What do those words mean?**

**Solicitation:** The act of asking for or trying to get something from someone.

**Remuneration:** Anything of value.

**Liability:** Being responsible for something, especially by law.