HEALTH CARE FRAUD LAWS

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“This person used millions of dollars that should have gone to people’s health care to bankroll his extravagant lifestyle. When providers commit fraud on the taxpayer and waste resources, my office will hold them accountable.”

- Attorney General
  Josh Stein


Identity Theft*

NCGS § 14-113.20

A person who knowingly obtains, possesses, or uses identifying information of another person, living or dead, with the intent to fraudulently make financial or credit transactions in the other person’s name, to obtain anything of value, benefit, or advantage, or for the purpose of avoiding legal consequences.

Violators are guilty of a Class G felony.

*This law is not specific to health care, but is often prosecuted in conjunction with health care fraud (i.e. False Claims, Medical Assistance Provider Fraud).

What do those words mean?

**Knowingly:** A crime that is carried out intentionally and with full awareness.

**Identifying information:** Social security number, driver’s license/ID, bank account info, credit cards, passwords, digital signature, fingerprints, etc.