# HEALTH CARE FRAUD LAWS

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"This person defrauded Medicaid of money that should have gone to people's health care. My office will continue to hold people responsible when they cheat taxpayers."

> -Attorney General **Josh Stein**

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# **Medical Assistance Provider Fraud**

### NCGS 108A-63

A person guilty of this offense is a provider of medical assistance under the state Medical Assistance (Medicaid) Program and willfully and knowingly makes or causes to be made a false statement or a false representation of a material fact

- in an application for payment or use in determining entitlement to such payment, or
- with respect to the conditions or operation of a provider or facility so that the provider or facility may qualify or remain qualified to provide assistance under the program.

Violators are guilty of a Class I felony.

## What do those words mean?

Willfully and knowingly: A crime that is carried out intentionally and with a full awareness.

Material: If a fact is material it will likely impact the outcome of the case in court.