

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL



WASHINGTON, DC 20201

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The Honorable Matthew J. Platkin Office of Attorney General Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex 25 Market Street P.O. Box 080 Trenton, NJ 08625

Dear Attorney General Platkin:

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General (OIG) received your office's request to review the amended New Jersey False Claims Act, N.J. STAT. ANN. §§ 2A:32C-1 through 2A:32C-19, under the requirements of section 1909 of the Social Security Act (the Act). Section 1909 of the Act provides a financial incentive for a State to enact a law relating to the submission of false or fraudulent claims to the State Medicaid program. For a State to qualify for this incentive, the State law must meet certain requirements enumerated under section 1909(b) of the Act, as determined by OIG in consultation with the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ).

After consulting with DOJ, we have determined that the amended New Jersey False Claims Act meets the requirements of section 1909 of the Act.

Any further amendment to the New Jersey False Claims Act could affect OIG's determination that it meets the requirements of section 1909 of the Act. Therefore, please notify OIG of any amendment to the New Jersey False Claims Act within 30 days after such amendment.

If you have any questions regarding this review, please contact me or have your staff contact Lisa Veigel or Tamar Terzian at (202) 619-1306.

Sincerely,

Christi A. Grimm Inspector General