



State of California—Health and Human Services Agency
California Department of Public Health



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TO: ALL GDSP EMPLOYEES AND CONTRACTORS

SUBJECT: FALSE CLAIMS ACT (FCA) POLICIES
EMPLOYEE EDUCATION AND TRAINING ABOUT FALSE CLAIMS RECOVERY
AND WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTIONS

PURPOSE:

These policies were developed by the Genetic Disease Screening Program (GDSP) administered by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH). They were written in response to a requirement in the federal Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 (DRA), as amended in 2007 by § 6032. This law requires certain Medi-Cal providers and their contractors to inform their employees of Federal and State False Claims Act (FCA) laws and to establish procedures for detecting and preventing fraud, waste and abuse in payment claims. Please make this training available to all employees.

These policies, which may be updated as necessary, include:

- Information about the Federal and California FCA Whistleblower protections under these laws, and
- The Program's policies and procedures for detecting and preventing fraud, waste and abuse.

Subsequent letters updating these policies may be issued as necessary.

To comply with federal law the GDSP has developed a powerpoint education and training presentation about the False Claims Acts. The education and training session may be accessed on the Department of Public Health, GDSP website at: <http://cdph.ca.gov/GDSP>. If you have problems accessing this site please contact GDSP at 510 412-1502.

If you have any questions regarding this information, you may contact Dr. Fred Lorey, Acting Division Chief, GDSP at 510 412-1500.

Sincerely,

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