

*Webinar on*

# **False Claims Act (Or Whistleblower Act) And Hospital Fraud**

# Learning Objectives

*The elements of a False Claims Act case will be explained. Types of False Claims Act cases brought against hospitals and in healthcare settings. Examples of False Claims Act cases that have been successful and have recovered money for the government and rewarded whistleblowers for reporting fraud. Tools to be used to spot a potential whistleblower case and documentation needed to report the case.*



By attending this webinar you can understand the framework of the False Claims Act (or whistleblower statute), the procedures for filing a False Claims Act case, and the importance of protecting the court's seal.

**PRESENTED BY:**

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On-Demand Webinar

Duration : 60 Minutes

Price: \$200

# Webinar Description

A whistleblower or qui tam action can provide financial rewards to individuals who provide information that a company, hospital or individual has defrauded the government. The primary statutes under which this relief may be sought are the federal and state False Claims Acts (“FCAs”). State and federal governments pay hundreds of billions of dollars each year for pharmaceutical drugs, medical devices, hospital care, and nursing home care through Medicare, Medicaid, and other programs. Thus, the False Claims Act is often applied in the healthcare industry to fight fraud and specifically fraud committed by hospitals. Whistleblowers who report this fraud receive 15-25% of the amount recovered.

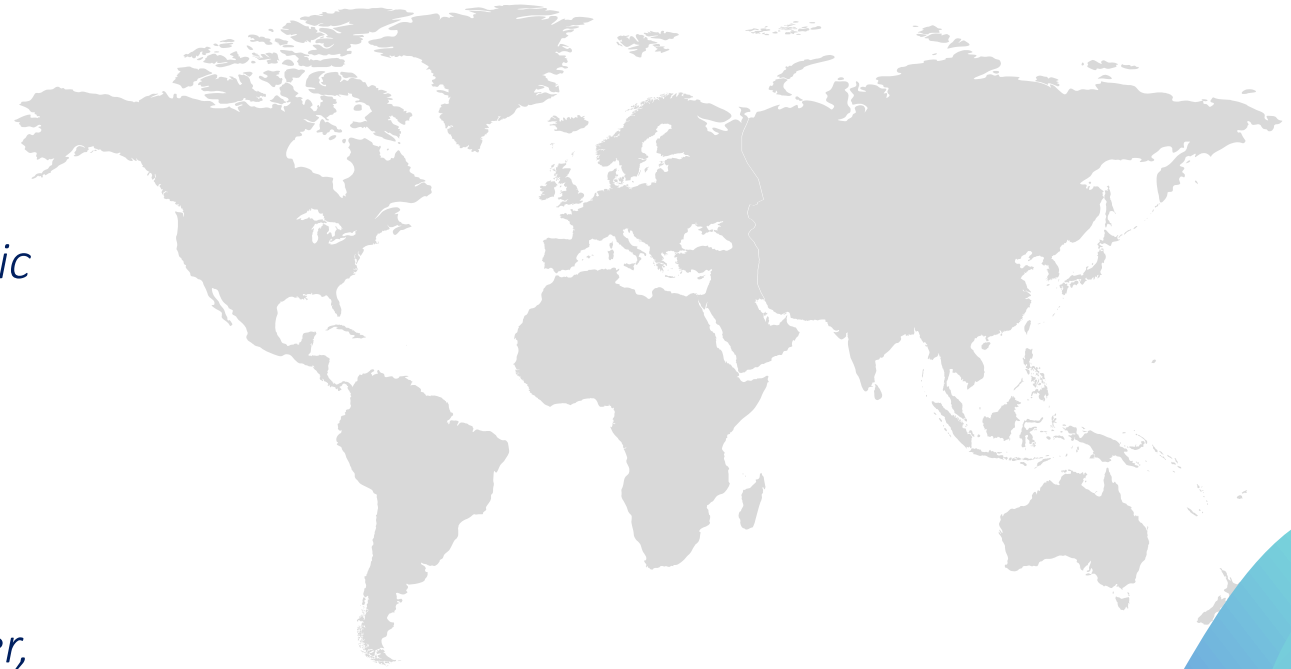


Much confusion lies around the whistleblower laws or claims brought under the False Claims Act. A whistleblower or qui tam action can provide financial rewards to individuals who provide information that a company or individual has defrauded the government. To the contrary, if the government finds that you have engaged in fraud against the government and you could be potentially be named in a whistleblower suit and be prosecuted civilly and/or criminally. Because state and federal governments pay hundreds of billions of dollars each year for healthcare, fraud waste and abuse are particularly rampant in hospitals and hospital systems. Attend this 60-minute webinar to understand the framework of the False Claims Act (or whistleblower statute), the procedures for filing a False Claims Act case, and the importance of protecting the court's seal. I will also discuss the pros/cons of bringing a case and important information you should bring to the attention of the government and the attorney representing you.



# Who Should Attend ?

*This webinar will provide valuable assistance to all personnel in medical offices, practice groups, hospitals, academic medical centers, business associates (shredding, data storage, systems vendors, billing services, etc). The titles are Compliance director, CEO, CFO, Privacy Officer, Security Officer, Information Systems Manager, Chief Information Officer, Health Information Manager, Healthcare Counsel/lawyer, Office Manager, Contracts Manager, Physicians, Nurses, Medical Staff.*



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