

## **You Can Help Fight Medicare Fraud and Abuse**

Health care fraud drives up costs for everyone in the health care system.

Medicare has made the elimination of fraud, waste, and abuse a top priority.

Following are four key ways you can guard your benefits and protect yourself and your loved ones from fraud:

1. Record your doctor appointments.
2. Review your Medicare statements to make sure they match your records.
3. Report suspected fraud by calling 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users can call 1-877-486-2048.
4. Remember to protect your Medicare Number like a credit card.

To learn more about health care fraud and ways to protect against it, visit [www.stopmedicarefraud.gov](http://www.stopmedicarefraud.gov).

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