

INTERNATIONAL FRAUD AWARENESS WEEK

STAY VIGILANT, PROTECT THE NHS

This newsletter has been designed to highlight areas of fraud within the NHS and to help you understand why we need to combat it effectively. By raising awareness of fraud cases, it will help you to identify what fraud is and where it is most likely to occur. As always, I hope that you will find our newsletter a useful and interesting read. We value feedback on the content so if you have any comments or suggestions for topics in future editions, please email these to us at the address at the bottom of the page."

Craig Bevan-Davies
Assistant Director of Anti-Crime Services

REMINDER



TOGETHER, WE CAN KEEP THE NHS SAFE FROM FRAUD.

UPCOMING EVENT

16TH - 22ND NOVEMBER 2025

NHS

Don't get hooked by phishing criminals

Phishing criminals may target your work email as well as your personal one. Protect yourself and your organisation – read the latest advice at cfa.nhs.uk



360ASSURANCE.COUNTERFRAUD@ NHS.NET

360 ASSURANCE FRAUDULENT TIMES

A Fraud investigation results in three-year prison sentence for former NHS resident doctor in £268k NHS fraud case.

The resident doctor had been employed as a Trust grade specialist registrar. Between October 2018 and December 2021, he worked on-call and night shifts at three additional Trusts, despite informing his employer that he was unfit to do the same work for them. He worked these shifts whilst on sick leave or on reduced duties from his substantive employer. As well as paying the doctor his full salary, the Trust

As well as paying the doctor his full salary, the Trust had to employ locums to cover these shifts.

Investigations by the Trust's local counter fraud team found that he had worked several on-call shifts there. In sentencing, His Honour Judge David Miller said: "You lied to occupational health, your colleagues and your employer.

"The public doesn't expect doctors to lie for personal

Former NHS mental health nurse jailed for defrauding the NHS.

The nurse was convicted of Fraud by Abuse of Position after falsely claiming to have worked 185 shifts for which he received £72,632.72 in wages and holiday pay.

An investigation, led by the Trust's Local Counter Fraud Specialist (LCFS) and supported by the NHS Counter Fraud Authority (NHSCFA), found that the suspect abused his position as a nurse and ward manager at a mental health unit in Manchester.

He claimed for night shifts which are paid at a higher rate and because they were created after the event, they did not appear on any rota thus raising no suspicion. This continued until October 2021.

In November 2021, irregularities were found in respect of additional shifts claimed for payment by the suspect. This led to him being suspended from duty and a criminal investigation, led by the Trust's LCFS, was opened.

NHS
Counter Fraud Authority

Working together to find, report and stop NHS fraud

If you spot anything suspicious, please call us on 0800 028 4060 Powered by Crimestoppers and more information and be found at:

WWW.cfa.nhs.uk





READ MORE AT

<u>HTTPS://CFA.NHS.UK/ABOUT-</u>

NHSCFA/NEWS



Fraud costs the NHS hundreds of millions of pounds every year — money that should go directly into patient care. International Fraud Awareness Week (16–22 November) is a chance for us all to learn more about how fraud affects the NHS and what we can do to stop it.

REMINDER

WE ARE HOSTING A SERIES OF COUNTER FRAUD TRAINING SESSIONS. THE TRAINING WILL DEFINE FRAUD, THE COST OF FRAUD TO THE NHS, COMMON FRAUDS RELEVANT TO YOUR DEPARTMENT AND HOW TO REPORT ANY SUSPICIONS OF FRAUD, BRIBERY OR CORRUPTION.

PLEASE JOIN THE RELEVANT TRAINING SESSION VIA THE TEAMS MEETING LINKS, DETAILED BELOW, AT THE SPECIFIED DATE AND TIME, NO NEED TO BOOK.

FINANCE TEAM

 18^{TH} NOVEMBER 2025 AT 10:00AM – 11:00AM. JOIN THE MEETING NOW 20 TH NOVEMBER 2025 AT 14:00PM – 15:00PM. JOIN THE MEETING NOW

ESTATES & FACILITIES TEAM

19TH NOVEMBER 2025 AT 10:00AM – 11:00AM. <u>JOIN THE MEETING NOW</u> 21ST NOVEMBER 2025 AT 14:00PM – 15:00PM. <u>JOIN THE MEETING NOW</u>

FREEDOM TO SPEAK UP GUARDIANS AND AMBASSADORS

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HUMAN RESOURCES TEAM

 17^{TH} NOVEMBER 2025 AT 10:00AM – 11:00AM. <u>JOIN THE MEETING NOW</u> 19^{TH} NOVEMBER 2025 AT 14:00PM – 15:00PM. <u>JOIN THE MEETING NOW</u>

PROCUREMENT TEAM

 18^{TH} NOVEMBER 2025 AT 14:00PM – 15:00PM. <u>JOIN THE MEETING NOW 21ST NOVEMBER 2</u>025 AT 10:00AM – 11:00AM. <u>JOIN THE MEETING NOW 18 NOVEMBER 2</u>025 AT 10:00AM – 11:00AM.

PERSONAL HEALTH BUDGETS LEADS

20TH NOVEMBER 2025 AT 11:00AM - 12:00PM. JOIN THE MEETING NOW



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WORDS TO FIND:

-NHS -FRAUD

-CORRUPTION

-SCAM

-BRIBERY

-NHSCFA

-INVESTIGATIONS

-PREVENTION

-AWARENESS

-PROCUREMENT



MEET THE COUNTER FRAUD TEAM (LOCAL COUNTER FRAUD SPECIALISTS)



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SCAN QR CODE TO REPORT ANY SUSPICIOUS FRAUD, BRIBERY OR CORRUPTION.



FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT FRAUD AGAINST THE NHS, PLEASE VISIT THE NHSCFA WEBSITE - <u>HTTPS://CFA.NHS.UK/</u>.

IF YOU HAVE **ANY** SUSPICIONS OR CONCERNS ABOUT FRAUD IN THE NHS, YOU CAN:

·TALK TO YOUR COUNTER FRAUD CHAMPION OR COUNTER FRAUD SPECIALIST.

·REPORT THEM DIRECT TO THE NHSCFA · HTTPS://CFA.NHS.UK/REPORT-FRAUD

·BY CALLING **0800 028 4060** (AVAILABLE 24 HOURS).