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FRAUD GENERAL

NYAAIF chair Potts: Nobody's immune to being scammed

June 2, 2020, Albany, NY -- The fight against insurance fraud is a fight we all need to support. This video shows you how you are on the front line of this battle and what you can do to help. ...

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MEDICAL FRAUD

Long Island Dem seeks stiff penalties for COVID-19 cons

May 29, 2020, Long Island, NY -- Sellers of shoddy protective gear and thieves of stimulus checks, beware: A bipartisan new bill proposes decades in prison for scam artists exploiting the coronavirus pandemic. The legislation, introduced late Thursday, would temporarily boost federal criminal penalties by 15 years for pandemic-related fraud and by 35 years for COVID-19-linked counterfeit goods. ...

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MEDICAL FRAUD

New York drugmaker allegedly causes rise of false scripts

June 11, 2020, Albany, NY -- New York state filed civil charges on Wednesday accusing Endo International Plc of insurance fraud for misrepresenting the safety and efficacy of its opioid drugs, adding fuel to the nation's opioid crisis. Governor Andrew Cuomo said the charges brought by New York's Department of

Financial Services are the second in that regulator's probe into the opioid industry, following similar charges against Mallinckrodt Plc on April 21. ...

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MEDICAL FRAUD

AG sues Buffalo firm for bogus sales of protective masks

June 12, 2020, Buffalo, NY -- New York State Attorney General Letitia James on Wednesday sued a Buffalo-area businessman, accusing him of fraud related to crucial personal protective equipment amid the coronavirus pandemic. The lawsuit, the first PPE fraud case filed by the Attorney General's Office in connection with the pandemic, is part of a broader investigation into fraudulent and deceptive solicitations by people hoping to profit off the pandemic, according to the office. ...

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LIFE INSURANCE

Father's violent murder of son in upstate New York retold

June 4, 2020, Varick, NY -- Growing up with their father Karl Karlsen, sisters Erin DeRoche and Kati Reynolds are no strangers to tragedy. "It was just, does this much bad stuff happen to normal people?" Reynolds told ABC News' "20/20" in an exclusive interview with the sisters. DeRoche and Reynolds opened up about the heartbreak of losing their mother, Christina Karlsen, and brother, Levi Karlsen, at the hands of their father and described how he nearly got away with their murders. ...

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MEDICAL FRAUD

Trend: Telemed is America's next medical fraud wave

June 12, 2020, Washington, DC -- Telemedicine once was limited to delivering healthcare services to patients who live in rural or isolated locations, and patients with limited mobility. With the COVID-19 pandemic the scope of medical services delivered via telemedicine technology has suddenly exploded. Telemedicine can involve service delivery by phone, audiovisual, or digital such as with Fitbit data. It always had great potential to make healthcare accessible to more people. ...

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Trend: Spike in cargo scams could reach \$200M

June 5, 2020, Washington, DC -- The Covid-19 pandemic is creating an onslaught of insurance claims, and Segal McCambridge attorneys say the transportation industry is likely facing a spike in cargo loss claims in excess of 250% over the coming years. They look at lessons from the Great Recession in 2008 that can help transportation insurers avoid fraudulent cargo claims. While the insurance industry grapples with the coming influx

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