

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)
) No.
)
) Violation: Title 42, United States Code,
JAY CANASTRA) Section 1320a-7b(b)(1)(A)

The UNITED STATES ATTORNEY charges:

1. At times material to this Information:

a. Medicare was a Federal health care program administered by the United States Department of Health and Human Services that provided health care benefits to certain eligible beneficiaries, primarily the elderly, blind, and disabled. Medicare Part A covered certain home health care services for Medicare beneficiaries.

b. Defendant JAY CANASTRA was Director of Admissions at The Wealshire, a nursing home in Lincolnshire, Illinois.

c. Individual A was a representative of Agency A, a home health care agency in West Dundee, Illinois that was an authorized Medicare service provider and submitted claims for benefits under Medicare Part A.

2. On or about December 4, 2009, at West Dundee, in the Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division,

JAY CANASTRA,

defendant herein, did knowingly and willfully solicit and receive remuneration in the form of a cash kickback, namely, approximately \$1600, from Individual A, directly and indirectly,

overtly and covertly, in return for referring Medicare beneficiaries to Agency A for the furnishing and arranging for the furnishing of services for which payment may be made in whole or in part under a Federal health care program;

In violation of Title 42, United States Code, Section 1320a-7b(b)(1)(A).

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY