

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	:	HON.
	:	
v.	:	Criminal No. 14-
	:	
VIJAY PATEL	:	18 U.S.C. §§ 1347 & 2

**INFORMATION**

The defendant having waived in open court prosecution by Indictment, the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey charges:

1. At all times relevant to this Information:

a. The defendant, VIJAY PATEL (“defendant PATEL”), was a resident of Parsippany, New Jersey, the owner of a diagnostic testing facility in Parsippany called Mobile Diagnostic Testing of NJ, LLC (“Mobile Diagnostic”), and a participant in Medicare.

b. S.A., a confederate not charged herein, was a cardiologist and participant in Medicare.

c. Medicare was a federal program to assist qualified aged, blind, and disabled individuals in paying for the cost of health care. The Medicare program worked by reimbursing health care providers, such as defendant PATEL and S.A., for the costs of health care services and items at fixed rates.

d. Medicare contractors involved in program integrity operations used “pre-payment” reviews and audits, which were initiated for the purpose of ensuring that providers of services to Medicare beneficiaries were submitting claims within established rules and regulations and consistent with appropriate medical decision-making. Providers placed on pre-payment review or audit were required to submit medical and other documentation to support the services being billed to Medicare. Claims for reimbursement that did not have the documentation necessary to support the services being billed were rejected by the Medicare contractor.

e. S.A. was placed on pre-payment review from around 2009 through at least 2012.

2. From in or about November 2009, through in or about October 2012, defendant PATEL and S.A. engaged in a scheme to defraud Medicare whereby S.A. paid defendant PATEL substantial sums of money to enable S.A. to evade Medicare’s prepayment review.

3. It was part of the scheme to defraud Medicare that defendant PATEL submitted claims to Medicare for diagnostic testing services that S.A. had performed as if Mobile Diagnostic had performed the services instead of S.A.

4. It was further part of the scheme to defraud Medicare that, once Medicare paid defendant PATEL and Mobile Diagnostic for diagnostic testing services that S.A. had actually provided, defendant PATEL would transfer a portion of the payment to S.A. and keep a substantial portion for himself.

5. From on or about November 1, 2009, through on or about October 31, 2012, in the District of New Jersey and elsewhere, the defendant,

VIJAY PATEL,

did knowingly and willfully execute a scheme and artifice to defraud any health care benefit program, namely, Medicare, and to obtain, by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, any of the money and property owned by, or under the custody and control of, Medicare, in connection with the delivery of and payment for health care benefits, items, and services.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1347 and Section 2.

  
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PAUL J. FISHMAN  
United States Attorney

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