



Health Care Fraud

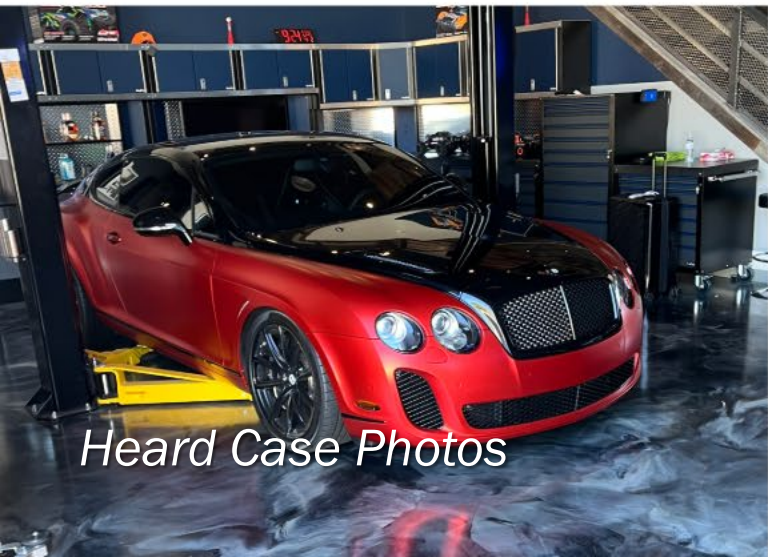
Takedown 2026

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2026 Healthcare Fraud Takedown by the Numbers:



# Arizona vs. Brandie Lee Dees



- In Phoenix, Brandie Lee Dees was charged with:
  - **Fraudulent Schemes and Artifices**
  - **Medical Practice Without a License**
  - **Possession of Prescription Only Drugs**
- Dees, an unlicensed individual, **allegedly performed lip filler, Botox, and other dermal injectable procedures** at her business—services requiring medical licensure—*using fillers that may not have been FDA-approved.*

# Arizona vs. Irfan Fazil and Bio Family Clinic



- In Yuma, Irfan Fazil and his Bio Family Clinic were charged with:
  - **Fraudulent Schemes and Artifices**
  - **Illegal Control of an Enterprise**
  - **Theft**
  - **Conspiracy**
  - **Drug-related felonies**
- Fazil allegedly operated a racketeering enterprise to defraud AHCCCS between July 2025 and May 2026, conspiring to commit money laundering and theft while also unlawfully possessing and administering dangerous drugs.

## Arizona vs. Lorraine Ferrante & Conscious Choice Birth Center



- In Snowflake, Lorraine Ferrante and her business Conscious Choices Birth Center were charged with:
  - **Fraudulent Schemes and Artifices**
  - **Identity Theft**
  - **Negligent Homicide**
  - **3 counts of Performing Midwifery Without a License**
- Ferrante allegedly **practiced as an unlicensed midwife** from 2020 through 2025.
- **An unborn child died in-utero** on February 5, 2025, allegedly as a result of her negligence.

# Arizona vs. Edgar Torres



- In Nogales, Edgar Torres was charged with:
  - **Endangerment, Criminal Impersonation**
  - **Possession of Prescription Drugs for Sale**
  - **Unauthorized Practice of a Health Profession**
- Torres allegedly **performed medical procedures without a license, assumed another person's identity** to conduct his operations, and unlawfully **possessed prescription medications for sale.**

## Arizona vs. Carrington, et al. (Meadows Catalina)



- Seven employees at Meadows Catalina, a care home in Pima County, face charges of **manslaughter and vulnerable adult abuse.**
- The indictment alleges that lack of care and repeated falls **resulted in the patient's death.**

# Arizona vs. Michael Jadda



- In Peoria, Michael Jadda was charged with:
  - **Fraud**
  - **Aggravated Identity Theft**
  - **Forgery**
  - **4 counts of Sale or Transportation of Narcotic**
- Jadda, a licensed pharmacist, allegedly abused his position to **generate fraudulent prescriptions for Oxycodone**, diverting the controlled substances for personal use and sale.

# Arizona vs. Newstart Integrated Clinic, et al.



- Newstart Integrated Clinic and 18 individuals were charged with **multiple felonies** in connection with a scheme to **defraud AHCCCS**.
- Defendants allegedly paid individuals to refer AHCCCS beneficiaries to Newstart, **defrauding the program of more than \$1,000,000** between January and October 2023.
- This is a **sober living home** fraud case.

# Arizona vs. Slimming Grace, et al.



- In Kingman, 7 individuals and Slimming Grace were charged with:
  - **Conspiracy to Commit Fraudulent Schemes**
  - **Aggravated Identity Theft**
  - **Sale of Misbranded Drugs**
  - **Forgery**
- The defendants allegedly placed prescriptions under patients' names **without their consent**, administered prescription medications **without valid consultations**, and distributed syringes filled with **unlabeled prescription medications**.

# Arizona vs. Michelle Alderman



- Also in Kingman, Michelle Alderman was charged with:
  - **3 Counts of Unauthorized Practice of a Health Profession**
- Alderman, unlicensed and owner of The Pout Company, allegedly **provided lip filler services requiring medical licensure** and professional oversight.



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