


# Home Health & Medicare Fraud: A Visual Explanation

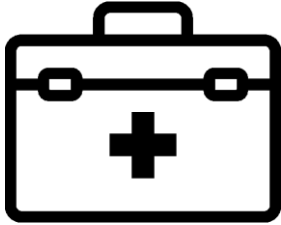


Read more at <http://www.ageoptions.org/documents/SMPHomeHealthArticle.pdf>

**Always Work with Your Doctor**



Only your doctor knows what type of care you need.

**To Receive Home Health, You Must:**



Be Homebound      Have a Plan of Care      Need Skilled Care


Your **doctor** must certify **each** of these three components!

**Protect Your Number**




Never give your Medicare number to someone who calls on the phone offering you services. They are not your doctor!

**How to Detect Fraud**



Read your Medicare Summary Notice (MSN).  
Were you billed for something you did not receive or that was not medically necessary? That could be fraud.

**Why Report Fraud?**



If you receive home health fraudulently, it may prevent you from accessing care when you need it in an emergency.

**Report Fraud to SMP**



If you believe health care fraud has happened to you or you see a suspicious charge on your MSN, **call the Illinois SMP at AgeOptions (800)699-9043**

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