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In other news

Check and double check your employees for exclusion from federal health care programs. That's a lesson that Hospice of the Finger Lakes in Auburn, N.Y. has learned the hard way.

After it self-disclosed conduct to the HHS Office of Inspector General, Hospice of the Finger Lakes "agreed to pay \$35,831.70 for allegedly violating the Civil Monetary Penalties Law," the OIG says on its website. "The OIG alleged that HFL employed an individual that it knew or should have known was excluded from participation in Federal health care programs."

To read more about the violation, visit http://oig.hhs.gov/fraud/enforcement/cmp/false_claims.asp.