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Physician Notes: OIG Recovers \$3.4 Billion in First 6 Months of Fiscal Year 2011

Plus: Sleep Clinic Pays \$650,000 to Settle False Claims Allegations.

Citing a "period of intense activity," Inspector General **Daniel R. Levinson** offered his Semiannual Report to Congress on June 1, unveiling the news that the OIG collected \$3.4 billion between October 2010 and March 2011, with \$222 million of that coming from audit recoveries alone.

The OIG brought in another \$3.2 billion from 349 criminal and 197 civil actions that took place over the same time period, which left 883 individuals and entities excluded from participating in federal health care programs, a June 1 OIG news release noted.

To read the entire Semiannual Report, visit the OIG's Web site at <http://oig.hhs.gov/reports-and-publications/semiannual/index.asp>.