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## **Baltimore County Home Health Aide Charged with Felony Medicaid Fraud and Theft**

**BALTIMORE, MD (February 16, 2023)** – Maryland Attorney General Anthony G. Brown today announced that Jemina Saka, 32, of Street, Maryland, was indicted on felony Medicaid fraud and felony theft for submitting time sheets indicating that she was providing home health services to a Medicaid recipient when she was not in the State of Maryland at the time.

Saka, who is not a licensed or certified health care provider, was employed by a home health agency to provide assistance with activities of daily living to a vulnerable adult for up to 35 hours per week. From June 2021 to June 2022, Saka submitted time sheets indicating that she was providing 35 hours of home health care to the individual. The investigation, which was conducted by the Attorney General’s Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, revealed that during her shifts, Saka was not at the individual’s home, but rather was out of state or at a location in Maryland that was not near the individual’s home. The fraud scheme perpetrated by Saka resulted in a loss of at least \$4,300 to the Medicaid program.

Saka was arrested in Florida and is awaiting extradition to Maryland.

In making today’s announcement, Attorney General Brown thanked the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, Assistant Attorney General Tracee Orlove Fruman, Investigator Michael Glenn, Investigator Paul Kidd, and the Baltimore County Police Department.

A criminal indictment is merely an accusation of wrongdoing, and a defendant is presumed innocent until the State proves the defendant guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. The defendant’s case will be prosecuted in Baltimore County.

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