

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL



WHAT IS THE OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL?

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PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

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- UNDERSTANDING OVERSIGHT IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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- OIG'S OPERATIONAL UNITS
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WHAT IS THE OIG?

OUR MISSION IS TO INDEPENDENTLY CONDUCT AND SUPERVISE AUDITS, INSPECTIONS, AND INVESTIGATIONS RELATING TO THE PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.



PROMOTING:



Economy

Minimizing the costs of resources used in performing government functions.



Efficiency

Maximizing government outputs from available resources.



Effectiveness

Ensuring outputs result in desired outcomes.



Accountability

Ensuring appropriate use of resources, executing policies and programs as intended, and producing desired results.

PREVENTING AND DETECTING:



Corruption

Using entrusted authority or power for personal gain or other unethical or illegal benefits.



Fraud

Wrongful or criminal deception intended to result in financial or personal gain.



Waste

Squandering money or resources even if not explicitly illegal.



Abuse

Improperly or unreasonably, or misusing one's position of authority.



Mismanagement

Creating substantial risk to an agency's ability to accomplish its mission.



UNDERSTANDING OVERSIGHT IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA



DC Office of the Attorney General

- Chief legal officer
- Legal advice to agencies
- Handles lawsuits
- Focus: Legal compliance



Board of Ethics & Gov Accountability

- Enforces Code of Conduct
- Investigates ethics violations
- Financial disclosures
- Focus: Ethics & integrity



Office of the Inspector General

- Audits & investigations
- Detects fraud, waste, abuse
- Recommends improvements
- Focus: Accountability



OAG: Legal Authority | BEGA: Ethics Oversight | OIG: Independent Accountability



FRAUD, WASTE, ABUSE & MISMANAGEMENT

FRAUD

INTENTIONAL DECEPTION TO OBTAIN DISTRICT MONEY, PROPERTY, OR BENEFITS.

- A business receives a DC grant but uses the money for personal expenses.
- A person uses someone else's information to receive housing assistance or benefits they don't qualify for.

ABUSE

IMPROPER USE OR AUTHORITY OF DISTRICT RESOURCES.

- Using a government vehicle for personal errands.
- Favoring certain vendors or individuals unfairly.

WASTE

MISUSE OR INEFFICIENT USE OF DISTRICT FUNDS, TIME OR PROPERTY.

- A road is repaired then dug up again weeks later.
- City equipment or vehicles sit unused for long periods.

MISMANAGEMENT

POOR PLANNING, CONTROL OR OVERSIGHT OF DISTRICT PROGRAMS OR FUNDS.

- A project repeatedly misses a deadline due to lack of coordination.
- Funds are poorly tracked, causing budget overruns or unfinished work.



OIG'S OPERATIONAL UNITS

AUDIT UNIT (AU)

Reviews District programs and operations to promote accountability and transparency.

INVESTIGATIONS UNIT (IU)

Investigates fraud, waste, abuse, and misconduct involving DC government employees, contractors, and programs.

INSPECTIONS & EVALUATIONS UNIT (I&E)

Evaluates the services of District government programs and agencies to identify systemic improvements and ways to maximize operational efficiency and effectiveness.

MEDICAID FRAUD CONTROL UNIT (MFCU)

Investigates fraud and abuse by Medicaid recipients, providers, and facilities to ensure services are appropriate and that taxpayer dollars are protected.

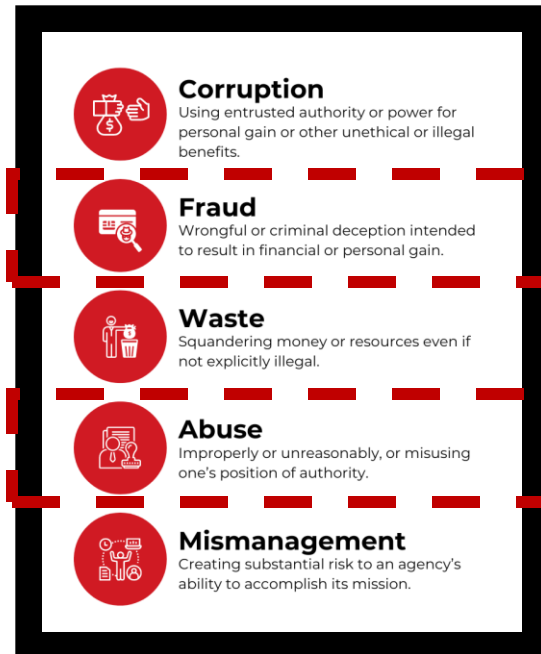
RISK ASSESSMENT & FUTURE PLANNING UNIT (RAFP)

Analyzes emerging risks, trends, and data to provide insights that support and strengthen all OIG units to make proactive, strategic, and knowledge-driven decisions.



What is the OIG's MFCU?

PREVENTING AND DETECTING:



OIG's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU)

- MFCUs operate in each of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.
- MFCUs have long been at the forefront of health care fraud enforcement, primarily **investigating** and **prosecuting**:
 - Medicaid provider fraud; and
 - Abuse, neglect, and financial exploitation of residents in health care facilities and board and care facilities, and of Medicaid beneficiaries in noninstitutional or other settings.
- The DC OIG's MFCU receives 75% of its funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under a grant award totaling \$2.9 million for FY 2025 . The remaining 25%, totaling \$950 thousand for FY 2025, is funded by the District.



HOW OIG PLANS AND REPORTS IT WORK

Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)

Tests the District's annual financial statements and internal controls.

Helps determine whether the financial statements present the District's financial position fairly and identifies significant weaknesses or risks.

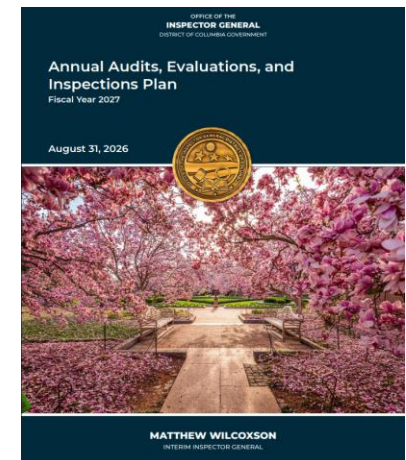
Annual Activities Report

Summarizes oversight work and resulting accomplishments for the reporting period October 1 to September 30.

Audits, Evaluations, & Inspections Plan

Identifies the programs, operations, and risks OIG plans to review during the fiscal year.

OIG develops the plan using legal requirements, risk information, prior oversight work, and input from District leaders and the public.



2026 OUTCOMES

[Founder of Casa Ruby Sentenced to 33 Months, Ordered to Repay \\$956,215 to SBA for Diversion of Covid-Relief Funds](#) – January 13, 2026

[DC Dentist and Hygienist Found Guilty in Scheme to Defraud DC Medicaid of \\$4 Million](#) – March 4, 2026



[Three Former Employees of the Psychiatric Institute of Washington Indicted for Criminal Negligence in the Death of a Patient](#) – April 8, 2026

[Guilty Plea Unsealed for Former DC Public Schools Administrator Involved in Bribery Scheme](#) – July 9, 2026

[Maryland Woman Found Guilty of Financial Exploitation of an Elderly Incapacitated Victim](#) – August 21, 2026

[Behavioral Health Worker Pleads Guilty to Billing DC Medicaid for Therapy Sessions That Never Happened](#) – August 27, 2026



YOUR ROLE IN KEEPING DC ACCOUNTABLE

FOR DISTRICT EMPLOYEES & RESIDENTS

- Report waste, fraud, abuse, or mismanagement of public resources
- Speak up about unethical behavior
- Share concerns when something doesn't seem right

FOR COMMUNITY LEADERS AND PARTNERS

- Encourage safe reporting
- Share reporting resources
- Promote transparency in your community

HOW TO REPORT



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hotline.inspectorgeneral@dc.gov



PHONE

(202) 724-TIPS (8477)

WEBSITE



SCAN QR CODE

or go to oig.dc.gov/report



IN-PERSON OR BY MAIL

100 M STREET SE, SUITE 1000
WASHINGTON, DC 20003

ALL REPORTS CAN BE CONFIDENTIAL OR ANONYMOUS.



WHEN SHOULD YOU CONTACT THE OIG?

CONTACT THE OIG

- Bribery or kickbacks
- Time theft
- Medicaid fraud
- Government misuse



NOT AN OIG ISSUE

- Traffic tickets
- Landlord disputes
- Noise complaints
- Potholes



ENGAGING THE OIG

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Matters brought to
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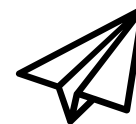
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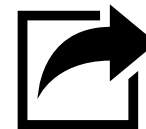
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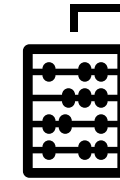
Assist
Complainant



Refer Matter to
District Agency



**Transfer to
an OIG Unit**



**Audit,
Inspection,
Evaluation**



Investigation

**District Programs
and Operations**

- Economy
- Efficiency
- Effectiveness

Individual Conduct

- Corruption
- Fraud
- Waste
- Abuse
- Mismanagement

District
Employees,
Programs,
and
Operations

Medicaid
Provider
Fraud; Abuse,
Neglect,
Exploitation



ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

From initiation through findings and recommendations

1

Engagement Letter



Formally begins the engagement
Identifies the scope, objectives, and focus

2

Entrance Conference



Meet with agency representatives
Review process, scope, timeline, and information needed
Discuss agency concerns or areas of interest

3

Survey & Fieldwork



Identify risk areas and evaluate agency operations
Review records, documents, files, and IT systems
Conduct interviews, observations, testing, and process walk-throughs

4

Findings & Recommendations



Communicate weaknesses, noncompliance, risks, or operational gaps
Explain criteria, cause, and impact
Recommend corrective actions and obtain agency response

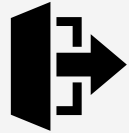


ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

How OIG communicates results and tracks corrective action

5

Exit Conference



Discuss preliminary results and recommendations
Allow the agency to provide additional information or context

6

Draft Report



Agency reviews the draft and provides a written response
Agency indicates agreement or disagreement with recommendations
Corrective actions and target completion dates are provided

7

Final Report



OIG considers and incorporates agency comments
Agency's written response is included
Final report is published on the OIG website

8

Follow-Up



OIG periodically tracks the status of recommendations
Agencies provide implementation updates and supporting documentation



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