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◆ Maryland Treatment Centers has agreed to pay \$500,000 to settle false claims allegations for mental health and substance abuse services that were undocumented or not provided, the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Maryland said Nov. 7. The settlement alleged that Maryland Treatment Centers, which provides inpatient and outpatient mental health and substance abuse treatment, "failed to document in any way the services allegedly provided; failed to document properly the services allegedly provided to recipients by writing daily progress notes and placing them in the recipients' charts; failed to document that recipients attended, participated and/or received the services allegedly rendered; and documented procedures on patient progress notes that were inconsistent with procedures for which Maryland Treatment Centers claimed Medicaid reimbursement, and which Medicaid paid" between Jan. 1, 2009, and Oct. 31, 2013, the U.S. attorney's office said. View <http://bit.ly/2qCP5A7>.

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