



**THREE DEFENDANTS PLEAD GUILTY IN HEALTHCARE FRAUD
INVESTIGATION**

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Mark Hernandez, a psychiatrist based in Miami, Florida, Brian Dublynn, Vice President of Safe Haven Recovery Inc, and medical marketer, Jennifer Sanford, pleaded guilty in United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida on August 17, 2021, to conspiracy charges related to a health care fraud investigation. The defendants conspired to defraud private health companies by causing Safe Haven, a substance abuse treatment facility in Miami, along with several clinical laboratories, to submit false and fraudulent claims to health insurance plans for addiction treatment services that were not provided as billed and laboratory tests that were not medically necessary. As a result of the scheme, Amtrak's insurance providers were fraudulently charged approximately \$86,130. The three defendants will be sentenced at a future date.