A DELRAY BEACH DOCTOR ORDERED TO PAY OVER \$127 MILLION IN RESTITUTION FOR HEALTH CARE FRAUD

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Michael Ligotti, D.O., of Delray Beach, Florida, pleaded guilty on October 4, 2022, to conspiring to commit health care fraud for his participation in a \$681 million years-long health care fraud scheme throughout Palm Beach County, billing for fraudulent tests and treatments for vulnerable patients seeking treatment for drug and/or alcohol addiction. Amtrak's health care plan was billed over \$535,000 as part of the scheme. On January 9, 2023, Ligotti was sentenced to 20 years in prison. On April 27, 2023, Ligotti's sentence was amended to include an order of \$127,427,988 in restitution.