



# Roots to Recovery

"Today's Structure is Tomorrow's Balance"

## Patient-Brokering Fraud Awareness

COMPANY INFORMATION	
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### THE FOLLOWING EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION IS PROVIDED TO RESIDENTS, RESIDENT'S FAMILY, AND STAFF.

<b><u>Defining patient brokering:</u></b>	This is when rehab facilities hire people to recruit drug addicts or alcoholics. Recruiters are paid for every individual they recruit.	<b>This is fraudulent!</b>
<b><u>Why is it unethical?</u></b>	Facilities charge insurance corporations for tests or treatments for individuals that they do not actually offer.	<b>This is unethical!</b>
<b><u>How does this affect those in recovery?</u></b>	Individuals in recovery do not get the needed treatment. Some addicts in recovery avoid pursuing support to avoid being cheated and taken advantage of.	<b>This is morally wrong!</b>
<b><u>How does this affect the insurance companies?</u></b>	Health insurance companies may withdraw coverage for the legitimate treatment programs and addicts in recovery will not be able to afford the support needed.	
	<b>The following facts are provided from <i>The 2018 Florida Statutes, Chapter 817, FRAUDULENT PRACTICES.</i></b>	817.505

<b>PATIENT BROKERING PROHIBITED;</b>	It is unlawful for any person, including healthcare provider or health care facility, to be involved with any of the following: Offer or pay a commission, benefit, bonus, rebate, kickback, or bribe, directly or indirectly, in cash or in kind, aid, abet, or engage in any split-fee arrangement, in any form whatsoever, to induce the referral of a patient or patronage to or from a health care provider or health care facility;	(1, a-d) 817.505	
	<b>This section does not apply to following:</b> Any discount, payment, waiver of payment, payment for the professional consultation, commissions, fees, payments to any health care facility, health insurer, or health group.	42 U.S.C. s. 1320a-7b(b)	
	Insurance advertising gifts lawfully permitted under -	s.626.9541(1)(m)	
<b>Do patients and clients have rights?</b>	YES! Every patient and client has the right to be treated by a licensed and/or certified professional, in a safe and ethical setting, using evidenced-based treatment, and has the right to remain in treatment if necessary.		

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