

Counter Fraud Team – Mazars

Who we are:

Mazars are the new counter fraud service providers to Castle Point and Rochford Clinical Commissioning Group. The Local Counter Fraud Specialist (LCFS) is responsible for investigating allegations/suspicious of fraud and also for undertaking proactive work to minimise the risk of fraud occurring.

What is Fraud?

'Fraud' can be defined as:

A dishonest action designed to facilitate a gain (personally or for another) at the expense of the Trust, its staff, patients, or the wider NHS.

The Fraud Act 2006 gives a statutory definition of the criminal offence of fraud, as classified under three main headings:

- Fraud by false representation;
- Fraud by failing to disclose information; and
- Fraud by abuse of position.

An individual can be found guilty under the Fraud Act even if the fraud hasn't actually occurred - the key is proof of intent

What should you do if you suspect Fraud?

If you suspect any fraud, please report it immediately to your Local Counter Fraud Specialist.

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National Fraud and Corruption Reporting Line (FCRL)

The FCRL is a simple means of reporting genuine suspicions of NHS fraud. It allows NHS staff, who wish to speak with complete confidentiality, to report their concerns. All calls are dealt with by experienced, trained staff. Callers may remain anonymous if they wish.

Tel: 0800 028 40 60 (office hours)