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Dr. Roger Evans Settles Medicare Fraud Claim

A Wichita doctor and his health clinic have agreed to settle allegations over medicare fraud.

Roger Evans, M.D. and EECP Heart Center of Kansas, Inc., have agreed to pay \$1.5 million over false medicare claims.

Federal prosecutors claim Evans submitted claims to Medicare for services when Evans was not actually present at the clinics and did not provide direct supervision of the procedures as required by Medicare.

The clinics provided an enhanced counterpulsation therapy, an in-patient service for the treatment of coronary artery disease. During ECP treatment, a patient is placed on a treatment table and the patient's lower trunk and lower extremities are wrapped in a series of compressive air cuffs which inflate and deflate in synchronization with the patient's cardiac cycle. The cuffs compress blood vessels in the calves and thighs to increase blood flow and improve cardiac function. A full course of ECP therapy usually consists of 35 one-hour treatments which may be offered once or twice daily, usually five days per week.

Evans and his company do not admit any wrongdoing.

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