



HEALTHCARE BENEFIT TRUST

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## **MARCH IS FRAUD AWARENESS MONTH**

In line with Fraud Awareness Month, Pacific Blue Cross has launched the PBC Fraud Awareness Campaign. HBT encourages plan administrators to share this email and help promote the PBC Fraud Awareness Campaign to your staff.

### **Benefits Fraud = Real Crime with Real Consequences**

Using your health or dental benefits dishonestly may seem harmless, but even a small infraction can have big – and potentially legal – consequences.

According to the Canadian Life and Health Insurance Association, in North America alone, it is estimated that hundreds of millions of healthcare dollars are lost to fraud. This impacts plan sustainability, pushes up monthly contributions and, more importantly, puts your health and wellbeing at risk.

To learn more about:

- What is Benefits Fraud?
- How to spot Benefits Fraud?
- What are the consequences of Benefits Fraud?
- What you can do?

Visit: <https://www.pac.bluecross.ca/advicecentre/story/preventing-fraud>

*Please forward this communication to all departments within your organization.*