



HAMILTON COUNTY COALITION to **STOP** FRAUD, SCAMS & ABUSE



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Hamilton County to Hold Web Chat on Public Assistance Fraud

WHEN: TOMORROW, March 21
10:00am

WHERE: Visit www.hcjfs.org, click on link under "Today at HCJFS."

WHAT: Hamilton County Job & Family Services (JFS) is currently serving one in six Hamilton County residents through its public assistance programs. As these programs continue to serve record populations, it becomes imperative that County leaders help protect taxpayer dollars and target fraud and abuse in the system.

In an ongoing effort to prevent fraud and scams in our community, Hamilton County Coalition to Stop Fraud, Scams & Abuse partner JFS will hold a special online chat to encourage residents to report suspected abuse of public assistance resources.

About the Hamilton County Coalition to Stop Fraud, Scams & Abuse

The Hamilton County Coalition to Stop Fraud, Scams & Abuse is a partnership of social service agencies, business leaders, nonprofits and local law enforcement united to pro-actively educate Hamilton County residents on the dangers of consumer fraud, identity theft and scams in our community. The Coalition developed a *Comprehensive Community Plan* to help consumers, created a website www.hamilton-co.org/fraud and conducts monthly community outreach events to educate citizens in our community to detect, prevent and report fraud and scams.

About Hamilton County's Department of Job and Family Services

The Department of Job and Family Services administers federal, state and local programs for those in need. The Department helps with local child protection, elderly protection, child care, child support enforcement, workforce development, cash assistance, food assistance and Medicaid disbursement. Servicing Hamilton County since 1947, the Department helps hundreds of thousands each year and is accredited by the Council on Accreditation, an international, independent, not-for-profit child and family service accrediting organization.

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