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Directs the department to investigate any discrepancy, including any overpayment or fraud, and to report all fraudulent activity to local law enforcement. Fraud includes overpayments where it is found by the department that the provider or recipient failed to disclose or misrepresents material facts.

Provides that, when evidence or other information compiled as part of fraud investigations conducted under chapter 43.20A RCW indicate that there is any potential for criminal violations, all findings, evidence, and supporting information shall be transferred in a timely manner to law enforcement officers in the county in which the fraud was allegedly committed.

Requires department fraud investigators to cooperate in the investigation and prosecution of crimes.