

## Eli's Hospice Insider

## **Hospice News: California Hospice Owner Pleads Guilty**

A home health and hospice agency owner has pled guilty to fraud and kickback charges. **Liana Karapetyan**, co-owner of ANG Health Care Inc., Excel Home Healthcare Inc., and Excel Hospice Inc. in the Sacramento, California, area, admitted she paid and directed others to pay kickbacks to multiple individuals for beneficiary referrals, including employees of skilled nursing facilities and a hospital, and their spouses.



Karapetyan is scheduled for sentencing on Aug. 26, the Department of Justice says in a release. The recipients of the kickbacks have also pled guilty in the case and await sentencing.