Biography

Joseph S. Howe, MS, CFE is a member of the New Jersey Office of the State Comptroller Medicaid Fraud Division (formerly the New Jersey Office of the Medicaid Inspector General) where he works with other auditors, investigators, data miners, and attorneys to combat the growing epidemic of Medicaid fraud, waste, and abuse.

Joe graduated magna cum laude from Kean University with a Bachelors of Arts in Political Science and went on to receive a Masters in Accounting from the University of Phoenix. He has completed extensive in service training in law enforcement and investigations having completed courses given by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, New Jersey State Police, Social Security Administration, and Federal Emergency Management Agency. As a certified incident command system and community emergency response team instructor by the New Jersey State Police, he has lectured extensively on the topics of leadership, organizational management, and decision making.

Joe started his public service career in high school as an intern for the Old Bridge Township Police Department where he went on to serve as a Special Law Enforcement Officer and most recently as a Training Officer in the department's Emergency Management Section where he coordinated and gave in service training. During this time he received numerous awards for his meritorious service and involvement in the community. After college he went on to work for the Social Security Administration where he was first exposed to complex benefit fraud investigations. While working with Social Security Joe uncovered millions of dollars in improper benefit payments and received numerous awards in recognition of his contributions to preventing and detecting fraud, waste, and abuse. Currently with the New Jersey Office of the State Comptroller Medicaid Fraud Division, he is tasked with using his knowledge of fraud examination and investigations to ensure the fiscal integrity of the Medicaid program and find providers and recipients who improperly utilize the Medicaid system.