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◆ Collier Anesthesia Pain LLC, a pain management clinic in Fort Myers, Florida, and Tampa Pain Relief Center Inc. have agreed to pay \$1,665,000 to settle false claims allegations, the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Middle District of Florida said Feb. 1.^[1] The settlement resolves allegations that the providers "engaged in an illegal kickback scheme by causing affiliated surgery centers to waive copayments for surgical facility fees in order to induce patients to receive injection procedures," the U.S. attorney's office said. Collier Anesthesia and Tampa Pain didn't admit liability in the settlement.

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