

DRUG & FRAUD OFFENDING

The New Zealand Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) estimates that around **\$1.35 BILLION** of domestic criminal proceeds is laundered annually in New Zealand from drug and fraud offending. If these crimes go undetected, the integrity of national and international financial systems is reduced, the economy is distorted, and opportunities for legitimate economic activities are minimised.

HOW TO REDUCE YOUR CHANCES OF BEING A VICTIM?

DO be suspicious if you are asked to let someone else use your bank account.

DO be wary of cash transactions concerning large amounts of money, there are much more secure payment methods available.

DO NOT let yourself be manipulated. Criminal syndicates often operate by developing relationships with their victims before tricking them into handling money

