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June Monthly Actions: Agency Took Licensure Action against 11 Providers, Nine Additional Providers Terminated from the Medicaid Program

Tallahassee, Fla.—The Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency) issued final orders to 11 providers for failure to meet licensure requirements during the month of June. The Agency issued two final orders to deny a license renewal application, five to revoke an existing license, three that resulted in the provider surrendering the license and one change of ownership denial. Some of these providers were enrolled in the Medicaid program; however, the Agency has terminated or is in the process of terminating their participation in the program.

In addition to the final order actions, the Agency issued two emergency orders suspending the licenses of Happiness Care Center II, Inc., an assisted living facility in Miami-Dade County and Kanlake Corporation, Inc., and assisted living facility in St. Lucie County. Residents were transitioned to another facility with as minimal disruption as possible.

"There are no acceptable excuses for failure to meet licensure requirements or not follow Medicaid protocols," said Secretary Liz Dudek. "The Agency has many tools for providers and it is their responsibility to use those tools or ask for assistance. Our staff is available to help providers if they need additional support understanding the requirements, but noncompliance is not acceptable."

Nine additional providers were issued final orders terminating them from participation in the Medicaid program in June. These terminations resulted from sanctions imposed for reasons including termination from the Medicare and Medicaid program, and pleading guilty to public assistance fraud. These providers also have been reported to the federal government for placement on the federal exclusion list, which prohibits them from participating in Medicaid and Medicare nationwide.

The chart below displays the Agency's June licensure actions:

Name	County	Provider Type	Licensure Action
Aging In Grace	Miami-Dade	Assisted Living Facility	Denied Change of Ownership*
Angel Of Caring Health & Staffing Service	Miami-Dade	Home Health Agency	License Revocation
Apple House I	Putnam	Assisted Living Facility	License Surrender
Extensive Services Corp	Miami-Dade	Health Care Clinic	License Surrender
From The Heart Assisted Living, LLC	Pinellas	Assisted Living Facility	License Surrender
Happiness Care Center II, Inc.	Miami-Dade	Assisted Living Facility	Emergency



			Suspension Order
Hoyos Home Health Care Inc	Miami-Dade	Home Health Agency	License Revocation
Kanlake Corporation Inc	St Lucie	Assisted Living Facility	Emergency Suspension Order
New Life Rehab Medical Center Inc	Miami-Dade	Health Care Clinic	License Revocation
Rachell Home Health Services Corp	Miami-Dade	Home Health Agency	License Revocation
Sacred Heart Medical Office PA	Broward	Clinical Laboratory	Denied Renewal
San Martin De Porras ALF	Miami-Dade	Assisted Living Facility	License Revocation
Senior Home Care Services, Inc	Hillsborough	Homemaker & Companion Services	Denied Renewal

^{*}The facility was operating under a provisional license, which has been denied.

The chart below displays the Agency's June Medicaid final order termination actions:

Name	County	Provider Type
Albert Esmailzadeh	Brevard	Physician**
Anthony Hasan	Miami-Dade	Physician
Clinton B. Walker	Duval	Home & Community Based Services
Donna Marie Stapleton	Orange	Nurse Practitioner (ARNP)
Maurice Brazil	Pinellas	Nurse Practitioner (ARNP)
Peggy Watkins	Jefferson	Assistive Care Services
Psych Solutions, Inc.	Miami-Dade	Specialized Mental Health Practitioner
Richard Brinker	Lee	Dentist
Scoey Shephard	Duval	Home & Community Based Services**

^{**}The provider has more than one licensure number.

Additional information about the actions and final orders can be found by querying the Public Records Search page at

http://apps.ahca.myflorida.com/dm_web/(S(jtrnl5fukcfknvhds5vtad1s))/default.aspx. Emergency orders, including moratoriums on admissions and suspensions, can also be found on the Public Records Search page by searching the name of the facility.

The Agency encourages consumers, advocates and anyone who may have a concern or observes a problem in any health care facility or with any provider regulated by the Agency to file a complaint by calling the Agency's consumer complaint line at 1-888-419-3456 or by reporting online at http://ahca.myflorida.com/Contact/call_center.shtml.

Tips about suspected fraud can be reported by calling the Attorney General's Fraud Hotline at 1-866-966-7226 or the Agency's Consumer Call Center at 1-888-419-3456. Anyone can report fraud online by visiting the Agency's Web site at

https://apps.ahca.myflorida.com/InspectorGeneral/fraud_complaintform.aspx.

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