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**July Monthly Actions: Agency Took Licensure Action against Six Providers, Nine Additional Providers Suspended or Terminated from the Medicaid Program**

**Tallahassee, Fla.** – The Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency) issued final orders to four providers for failure to meet licensure requirements in July.

There were two final orders to revoke an existing license, one to deny a license renewal and one that resulted in the provider surrendering their license. Some of these providers were enrolled in the Medicaid program and the Agency has terminated or is in the process of terminating their participation in the program.

The Agency also issued an Immediate Moratorium on Admissions to Lucia Residence, Inc., an assisted living facility in Hillsborough County and an Immediate Moratorium on Admissions to Touched by Faith, Inc. dba Touched by Faith, an assisted living facility in Pinellas County.

In addition, six providers were issued final orders terminating them from participation in the Medicaid program and 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 Agency also suspended three providers from participation in the Medicaid program, prohibiting the providers from being paid for claims to the Medicaid program for furnishing, supervising a person who is furnishing, or causing a person to furnish goods or services.

Agency Medicaid terminations and suspensions typically result from failure to return funds due to the Agency within required timeframes; a charge, indictment, or guilty plea to a health care related crime; suspension, termination, or exclusion from Medicare or Medicaid in another state; or a license denial, revocation, suspension or termination by the licensing agency.

The chart below displays the Agency’s July licensure actions:

Name	County	Provider Type	Licensure Action
Ailin Living Facility Inc	Miami-Dade	Assisted Living Facility	Revocation
B & B Home Care I Inc	Miami-Dade	Assisted Living Facility	License Surrender
Lucia Residence, Inc.	Hillsborough	Assisted Living Facility	Immediate Moratorium on Admissions
Mountain High Assisted Living Facility Inc	Hillsborough	Assisted Living Facility	Denied Renewal
Touched by Faith Inc. dba Touched by Faith	Pinellas	Assisted Living Facility	Immediate Moratorium on Admissions
Vega's ALF Corp	Miami-Dade	Assisted Living Facility	Revocation



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

Name	County	Provider Type	Medicaid Action
Ambi Lingual Assoc	Miami-Dade	Therapist (PT, OT, ST, RT)	Termination
Casanova ALF 2	Miami-Dade	Assistive Care Services	Termination
Debbys House of Hearing LLC	Pasco	Hearing Aid Specialist	Suspension
Erik X Alonso	Miami-Dade	Specialized Therapeutic Services	Termination
Genesis TCM Corp	Orange	Case Management Agency	Suspension
Kimberly Palazzolo	Miami-Dade	Nurse Practitioner	Termination
Mary Hall	Brevard	Licensed Midwife	Suspension
SEL Mental Health Services LLC	Orange	Case Management Agency	Termination
Victoria Kopfle	Lee	Home Health Services	Termination

Further information about the actions and final orders can be found on the public records search page at [http://apps.ahca.myflorida.com/dm\\_web/\(S\(jtrnl5fukcfknvhs5vtad1s\)\)/default.aspx](http://apps.ahca.myflorida.com/dm_web/(S(jtrnl5fukcfknvhs5vtad1s))/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 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 our consumer complaint line at 1-888-419-3456 or by reporting online at [http://ahca.myflorida.com/Contact/call\\_center.shtml](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 website at [https://apps.ahca.myflorida.com/InspectorGeneral/fraud\\_complaintform.aspx](https://apps.ahca.myflorida.com/InspectorGeneral/fraud_complaintform.aspx).

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