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April Monthly Actions: Agency Took Licensure Action against Five Providers, Five Additional Providers Terminated or Suspended from the Medicaid Program

Tallahassee, Fla. – The Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency) issued final orders to three providers for failure to meet licensure requirements during the month of April.

There were two final orders to deny a license renewal application, 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.

Another four providers were issued a final order terminating them from participation in the Medicaid program. These terminations resulted from sanctions imposed for failing to reimburse the Agency within the timeframes set and for having a license revoked, suspended or terminated by the licensing agency. These providers have been reported to the federal government for placement on the federal exclusion list, which prohibits them from participating in Medicaid and Medicare nationwide.

There was also one provider suspended from participation in the Medicaid program for being charged with defrauding Medicaid or for failing to furnish Medicaid related records. This provider is prohibited 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.

As well as the final order actions, the Agency also issued an Immediate Moratorium on Admission on American Sr. Living of Dade City, FL Inc. dba Edwinola Retirement, an assisted living facility in Pasco County, and an Immediate Limited Moratorium on Admissions on Andies Inc. dba Willow Manor Retirement Living, an assisted living facility in Broward County.

Licensure Action Name County **Provider Type** Immediate Moratorium American Sr. Living of Dade Pasco Assisted Living Facility City, FL Inc. dba Edwinola on Admissions Retirement Andies Inc. dba Willow Assisted Living Facility Immediate Limited Broward Manor Retirement Living Moratorium on Admissions Prestige Medical Services & Orange Health Care Clinic License Surrender Rehab Center LLC Sebring Urology Center-Denied Renewal Highlands Clinical Laboratory Anthony J Arciola MD LLC Serenity Gardens Retirement **Denied Renewal** Broward Assisted Living Facility Home Inc.

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



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

Name	County	Provider Type	Medicaid Action
Georgia M Brazzell*	Volusia	Home & Community-Based	Termination
		Services	
Green Cross Home Care	Broward	Home Health Agency	Termination
Services Inc.			
Harold Pompey**	Duval	Chiropractor	Suspension
Nimesh M Patel	Pasco	Podiatrist	Termination
Sunshine Solutions Pharmacy**	Collier	Pharmacy	Termination

*Agency issued final order in February.

**Agency issued final order in March.

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

<u>http://apps.ahca.myflorida.com/dm_web/(S(jtrn15fukcfknvhds5vtad1s))/default.aspx</u>. 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.

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.

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