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**November Monthly Actions: Agency Took Licensure Action against Twelve Providers, Thirteen Additional Providers Terminated or Suspended from the Medicaid Program**

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

There were five final orders to revoke an existing license, two final orders to deny a license renewal and two 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.

In addition, nine providers were issued a final order 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 four 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.

The Agency's Medicaid terminations and suspensions typically result from sanctions imposed for failing to reimburse the Agency within the timeframes set; being charged by information or indictment or pleading guilty to a health care related crime; being suspended, terminated, or excluded from the Medicare or Medicaid program in another state; or for having a license denied, revoked, suspended or terminated by the licensing agency.

The Agency also issued an Emergency Suspension Order and Immediate Moratorium on Admissions to St. Philomena Assisted Living Facilities, LLC in Clay County, an Immediate Moratorium on Admissions to Heterly Home for the Elderly, Inc., an assisted living facility in Miami-Dade County and an Immediate Moratorium on Admissions to Tampa SNF, LLC, d/b/a Excel Rehabilitation and Health Center, a nursing home in Hillsborough County.



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

<b>Name</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Provider Type</b>	<b>Licensure Action</b>
Amazing Grace Assisted Living Facility	Hillsborough	Assisted Living Facility	License Revocation
Divine Living ALF Inc.	Brevard	Assisted Living Facility	Denied Renewal
Hetary Home for the Elderly, Inc.	Miami-Dade	Assisted Living Facility	Immediate Moratorium on Admissions
Josue Fils Aime	Hillsborough	Adult Family Care Home	Denied Renewal
Ronald Butendieck	Highlands	Adult Family Care Home	License Revocation
Southwind Adult Care Inc.	Miami-Dade	Assisted Living Facility	License Surrender
St. Philomena Assisted Living Facilities, LLC	Clay	Assisted Living Facility	Emergency Suspension Order and Immediate Moratorium on Admissions
Sunshine Assistance for the Elderly	Pinellas	Homemaker & Companion Services	License Revocation
Tampa SNF, LLC, d/b/a Excel Rehabilitation and Health Center	Hillsborough	Nursing Home	Immediate Moratorium on Admissions
Tomasa Rehabilitation Center Inc.	Miami-Dade	Health Care Clinic	License Surrender
Vida Nueva #2	Miami-Dade	Assisted Living Facility	License Revocation
Whole Life Home Health LLC	Pinellas	Home Health Agency	License Revocation

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

<b>Name</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Provider Type</b>	<b>Medicaid Action</b>
A+ Home Aid	Orange	Home & Community-Based Services Waiver	Termination
Albopore Inc.	Pasco	Assistive Care Services	Termination
DR. Daniel F. Jiannetto	Pasco	Physician (M.D.)	Suspension
Ernesto L Izquierdo MD	Dade	Physician (M.D.)	Suspension
Ernesto M Ganaim	Dade	Dentist	Termination

Hillcrest Residential ALF	Pinellas	Assistive Care Services	Termination
Homestead Portable XRay Services Inc.	Dade	Portable X-Ray Company	Termination
Isolda B Gamble	Hillsborough	Dentist	Termination
Maria Estela Edward	Palm Beach	Home & Community-Based Services Waiver	Termination
Mayle ALF Inc.	Dade	Assistive Care Services	Suspension
Robins Nest LLC	Lake	Home & Community-Based Services Waiver	Termination
Shakyr Bennett	Leon	Home & Community-Based Services Waiver	Suspension
Yasin M Choudry	Lake	Physician (M.D.)	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\(jtrn15fukcfknvhd5vtad1s\)\)/default.aspx](http://apps.ahca.myflorida.com/dm_web/(S(jtrn15fukcfknvhd5vtad1s))/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).

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