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

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

There were six 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, seven 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 two 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 Sweet House, Inc., an assisted living facility in Miami-Dade County; an Immediate Moratorium on Admissions to Matsal Corp., d/b/a My Future Home of Miami, an assisted living facility in Miami-Dade County; and an Immediate Moratorium on Admissions to TORO 12, LCC d/b/a Homestead Retirement, an assisted living facility in Osceola County.



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

<b>Name</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Provider Type</b>	<b>Licensure Action</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> Class Medical Centers Inc.	Miami-Dade	Health Care Clinic	License Revocation
1 <sup>st</sup> Class Medical Centers of 4 <sup>th</sup> Ave Inc.	Miami-Dade	Health Care Clinic	License Revocation
Golden Age Assisted Living Facility II LLC	Miami-Dade	Assisted Living Facility	Denied Renewal
Heart to Heart Home Health Care Inc.	Broward	Home Health Agency	License Revocation
Hylan Home Health Care Agency LLC	Broward	Home Health Agency	License Revocation
Matsal Corp., d/b/a My Future Home of Miami	Miami-Dade	Assisted Living Facility	Immediate Moratorium on Admissions
Miracle Blessed Care Enterprises Inc.	Miami-Dade	Home Health Agency	License Revocation
Nakesha Young	Polk	Adult Family Care Home	Denied Renewal
Professional Home Health Care Inc.	Miami-Dade	Home Health Agency	License Revocation
Serenity Manor Assisted Living Inc.	Hillsborough	Assisted Living Facility	License Surrender
Southwind Adult Care Inc.	Miami-Dade	Assisted Living Facility	License Surrender
Sweet House, Inc.	Miami-Dade	Assisted Living Facility	Emergency Suspension Order and Immediate Moratorium on Admissions
TORO 12, LLC d/b/a Homestead Retirement	Osceola	Assisted Living Facility	Immediate Moratorium on Admissions

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

Name	County	Provider Type	Medicaid Action
Chuma G. Osuji	Hillsborough	Physician (D.O.)	Termination
Fast & Friendly	Palm Beach	Pharmacy	Suspension
Fitzpatrick M Knights	Sarasota	Home Health Agency	Termination
Hermina Jean	Orange	Assistive Care Services	Termination
Howells ALF #2	Walton	Assistive Care Services	Termination
Maria Estela Edward	Palm Beach	Home & Community-Based Services	Termination
Maria Estela Edward	Palm Beach	Professional Early Intervention Services	Termination
Santiago B Montoya	Miami-Dade	Physician (M.D.)	Termination
Tranquility Healthcare Solutions Inc.	Orange	Community Behavioral Health Services	Suspension

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\(jtrn15fukcfknvhs5vtad1s\)\)/default.aspx](http://apps.ahca.myflorida.com/dm_web/(S(jtrn15fukcfknvhs5vtad1s))/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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