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**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS
DIVISION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION
BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR**

In Re: PROVIDER SUSPENSION

ORDER OF SUSPENSION

**MECHELLE MARIE LAWRENCE-
LONG,

Respondent.**

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Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(B) requires the Administrative Director of the Division of Workers' Compensation (Administrative Director) to suspend any physician, practitioner, or provider from participating in the California workers' compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider if the individual or entity has been suspended, due to fraud or abuse, from the federal Medicare or Medicaid programs or the Medi-Cal program.

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Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(C) requires the Administrative Director to suspend any physician, practitioner, or provider from participating in the California workers' compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider whose license, certification or approval to provide health care services has been surrendered or revoked.

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On or about July 12, 2017, Respondent Mechelle Marie Lawrence-Long's (Lawrence-Long) license, certification or approval to provide health care services was surrendered or revoked by the California Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs.

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On or about March 8, 2018, Respondent Lawrence-Long was suspended, due to fraud or abuse, from the federal Medicare or Medicaid programs.

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On or about August 12, 2022, the Administrative Director mailed to Respondent Lawrence-Long a written notice of the right to a hearing regarding the suspension and

1 the procedure to follow to request a hearing, as provided in Labor Code section
2 139.21(b)(2) and California Code of Regulations, title 8, section 9788.1.

3 Pursuant to Labor Code section 139.21(b)(2) and California Code of Regulations,
4 title 8, section 9788.1(d), the written notice advised Respondent Lawrence-Long that the
5 suspension would start thirty (30) calendar days after the date of mailing of written
6 notice, unless Respondent Lawrence-Long submitted a written request for a hearing
7 within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice.

8 Respondent Lawrence-Long did not submit a written request for hearing within
9 ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice.

10 The Administrative Director is required to suspend any physician, practitioner, or
11 provider pursuant to Labor Code section 139.21 and California Code of Regulations,
12 title 8, section 9788.2, after thirty (30) days from the date the notice was mailed, unless
13 the physician, practitioner, or provider submits a written request for a hearing within ten
14 (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice;

15 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Respondent Mechelle Marie Lawrence-Long is
16 hereby suspended from participating in the California workers' compensation system as
17 a physician, practitioner, or provider.

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19 Date: September 21, 2022

20 /S/ George P. Parisotto
21 George P. Parisotto
22 Administrative Director
23 Division of Workers' Compensation
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