

1 STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
2 DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS  
3 DIVISION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION  
4 BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR

5 In Re: PROVIDER SUSPENSION

ORDER OF SUSPENSION

6 CHARLES IKECHUKWU OKOYE,

7 Respondent.

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10 WHEREAS, Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(A) requires the Administrative Director to  
11 suspend any physician, practitioner, or provider from participating in the workers' compensation system  
12 as a physician, practitioner, or provider if the individual has been convicted of any felony or  
13 misdemeanor described in Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(A); and

14 WHEREAS, on or about August 25, 2014, Charles Okoye pled guilty to or was found guilty of  
15 one or more felonies or misdemeanors described in Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(A) in the United  
16 States District Court, Central District of California; and

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

21 WHEREAS, on or about April 22, 2015, Charles Okoye's license, certification or approval to  
22 provide health care services was surrendered or revoked by the Medical Board of California,  
23 Department of Consumer Affairs; and

24 WHEREAS, on or about October 13, 2017, the Administrative Director mailed to Charles Okoye  
25 a written notice of the right to a hearing regarding the suspension and the procedure to follow to request  
26 a hearing, as provided in Labor Code section 139.21(b)(2) and California Code of Regulations, title 8,  
27 section 9788.1; and

28 WHEREAS, pursuant to Labor Code section 139.21(b)(2) and California Code of Regulations,  
title 8, section 9788.1(d), the written notice advised Charles Okoye that the suspension would start thirty

1 (30) calendar days after the date of mailing of written notice, unless Charles Okoye submitted a written  
2 request for a hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice; and

3 WHEREAS, Charles Okoye did not submit a written request for hearing within ten (10) calendar  
4 days of the date of mailing of the notice; and

5 WHEREAS, the Administrative Director is required to suspend any physician, practitioner, or  
6 provider pursuant to Labor Code section 139.21 and Title 8, California Code of Regulations section  
7 9788.2, after thirty (30) days from the date the notice was mailed, unless the physician, practitioner, or  
8 provider submits a written request for a hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of  
9 the notice;

10 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Charles Okoye is hereby suspended from participating in the  
11 workers' compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider.

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13 Date: November 13, 2017



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15 GEORGE PARISOTTO  
16 Administrative Director  
17 Division of Workers' Compensation  
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