

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

5 **In Re: PROVIDER SUSPENSION**
6 **ARTURO VARGAS,**
7 **Respondent.**

ORDER OF SUSPENSION

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

13 WHEREAS, on or about April 10, 2015, Respondent Arturo Vargas pled guilty to or was
14 found guilty of one or more felonies or misdemeanors described in Labor Code section
15 139.21(a)(1)(A) in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles; and

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

20 WHEREAS, on or about June 30, 2017, Arturo Vargas's license, certification or
21 approval to provide health care services was surrendered or revoked by the California Medical
22 Board, Department of Consumer Affairs State of California; and

23 WHEREAS, on or about January 10, 2023, the Administrative Director mailed to Arturo
24 Vargas a written notice of the right to a hearing regarding the suspension and the procedure to
25 follow to request a hearing, as provided in Labor Code section 139.21(b)(2) and California
26 Code of Regulations, title 8, section 9788.1; and

27 WHEREAS, pursuant to Labor Code section 139.21(b)(2) and California Code of
28 Regulations, title 8, section 9788.1(d), the written notice advised Arturo Vargas that the
suspension would start thirty (30) calendar days after the date of mailing of written not unless

1 Arturo Vargas submitted a written request for a hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the
2 date of mailing of the notice; and

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

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

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

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15 Date: February 22, 2023

15 /S/ George Parisotto
16 George Parisotto
17 Administrative Director
18 Division of Workers' Compensation
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