

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

In Re: PROVIDER SUSPENSION
BIANCA REBECCA ALVAREZ,

ORDER OF SUSPENSION

Respondent.

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

WHEREAS, on or about September 14, 2017, Respondent Bianca Rebecca Alvarez pled guilty to or was found guilty of one or more felonies or misdemeanors described in Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(A) in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(B) requires the Administrative Director to suspend any physician, practitioner, or provider from participating in the workers' compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider who has been suspended, due to fraud or abuse, from the federal Medicare or Medicaid programs; and

WHEREAS, Bianca Rebecca Alvarez was suspended, due to fraud or abuse, from the federal Medicare or Medicaid programs; and

WHEREAS, on or about August 9. 2023, the Administrative Director mailed to Bianca Rebecca Alvarez a written notice of the right to a hearing regarding the suspension

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

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 Bianca Rebecca Alvarez that the suspension would start thirty (30) calendar days after the date of mailing of written notice, unless Bianca Rebecca Alvarez submitted a written request for a hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice; and

WHEREAS, Bianca Rebecca Alvarez did not submit a written request for hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice; and

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

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Respondent Bianca Rebecca Alvarez is hereby suspended from participating in the workers' compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider.

Date: February 28, 2024

/S/ George Parisotto
George Parisotto
Administrative Director
Division of Workers' Compensation