

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

In Re: PROVIDER SUSPENSION SONA BALASANYAN,

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 January 9, 2019, Respondent Sona Balasanyan 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 United States District Court of the State of California, Central District of California; and

WHEREAS, on or about March 22, 2023, the Administrative Director mailed to Sona Balasanyan 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 Sona Balasanyan that the suspension would start thirty (30) calendar days after the date of mailing of written notice, unless Sona Balasanyan submitted a written request for a hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice; and

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

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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 mailing of the notice;

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

Date: May 31, 2023

/S/ George Parisotto

GEORGE PARISOTTO
Administrative Director
Division of Workers' Compensation