

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 RAFAEL U. CHAVEZ,  
7 Respondent.

**ORDER OF SUSPENSION**

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10 WHEREAS, Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(C) 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 whose license, certification or approval to provide health care  
13 services has been surrendered or revoked; and

14 WHEREAS, on or about June 19, 2014, Rafael U. Chavez's license, certification or approval to  
15 provide health care services was surrendered or revoked by the Physician Assistant Board of California,  
16 Department of Consumer Affairs; and

17 WHEREAS, on or about August 18, 2017, the Administrative Director mailed to Rafael U.  
18 Chavez a written notice of the right to a hearing regarding the suspension and the procedure to follow to  
19 request a hearing, as provided in Labor Code section 139.21(b)(2) and California Code of Regulations,  
20 title 8, section 9788.1; and

21 WHEREAS, pursuant to Labor Code section 139.21(b)(2) and California Code of Regulations,  
22 title 8, section 9788.1(d), the written notice advised Rafael U. Chavez that the suspension would start  
23 thirty (30) calendar days after the date of mailing of written notice, unless Rafael U. Chavez submitted a  
24 written request for a hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice; and

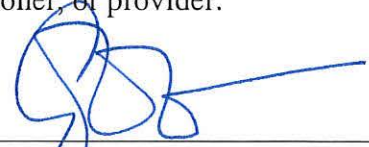
25 WHEREAS, Rafael U. Chavez did not submit a written request for hearing within ten (10)  
26 calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice; and

27 WHEREAS, the Administrative Director is required to suspend any physician, practitioner, or  
28 provider pursuant to Labor Code section 139.21 and Title 8, California Code of Regulations section  
9788.2, after thirty (30) days from the date the notice was mailed, unless the physician, practitioner, or

1 provider submits a written request for a hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of  
2 the notice;

3 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Rafael U. Chavez is hereby suspended from participating in  
4 the workers' compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider.

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6 Date: September 19, 2017



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7 GEORGE PARISOTTO  
8 Acting Administrative Director  
9 Division of Workers' Compensation  
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