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

In Re: PROVIDER SUSPENSION

CAROLINE OKPARA,

**ORDER OF SUSPENSION** 

Respondent.

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

WHEREAS, on or about September 7, 2023, Caroline Okpara's license, certification, or approval to provide health care services was surrendered or revoked by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Department of Consumer Affairs; and

WHEREAS, on or about August 5, 2025, the Administrative Director mailed to Caroline Okpara 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 Caroline Okpara that the suspension would start thirty (30) calendar days after the date of mailing of written notice, unless Caroline Okpara submitted a written request for a hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice; and

WHEREAS, Caroline Okpara 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 Caroline Okpara is hereby suspended from participating in the workers' compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider.

Date: September 30, 2025 /S/ George P. Parisotto

George P. Parisotto Administrative Director Division of Workers' Compensation