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**January Monthly Actions: Agency Took Licensure Action against Eight Providers, Four Additional Providers Terminated from Medicaid**

**Tallahassee, Fla.** – During the month of January, the Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency) issued final orders to eight providers, including three assisted living facilities, for failure to meet licensure requirements. The Agency issued three final orders to deny the license renewal application, four to revoke an existing license and one that resulted in the provider surrendering the license. At one time, five of the eight providers participated in the Medicaid program, but the Agency has terminated them, is in the process of terminating them, or they are no longer enrolled in Medicaid.

In addition, four providers who do not require Agency licensure were issued final orders terminating them from the Medicaid program. These terminations resulted from sanctions imposed for reasons including criminal conviction, failure to repay monies owed to the Agency and failure to produce required records. These providers also have been reported to the federal government for placement on the federal exclusion list, which prohibits them from participating in Medicaid and Medicare nationwide.

“It is important for the public to know the Agency does not tolerate providers who fail to follow the law,” said Secretary Liz Dudek. “We have a duty and we are committed to removing them from the Medicaid program and assuring they are not licensed by the Agency. By taking these actions, we can better ensure quality health care for all Floridians.”

Additional information about each action described below can be found by querying the Public Records Search page here [http://ahca.myflorida.com/Executive/Communications/public\\_records.shtml](http://ahca.myflorida.com/Executive/Communications/public_records.shtml).

The chart below displays the Agency’s January licensure actions:

Name	County	Provider Type	Licensure Action
Ana Home Care	Miami-Dade	assisted living facility	license revocation
Morningstar Home Health Agency Inc	Miami-Dade	home health agency	license revocation
Senior Care Givers LLC	Palm Beach	homemaker & companion services	license revocation
Shalom Manor	Broward	assisted living facility	license revocation
Acute Care Team, Inc	Manatee	home medical equipment	license denial
AJR Home Care Inc	Miami-Dade	home health agency	license denial
Home Care Unlimited LLC	Duval	homemaker & companion services	license denial
La Salud Inc	Miami-Dade	assisted living facility	license surrendered

The chart below displays the Agency’s January Medicaid final order termination actions:

Name	County	Provider Type
Anderson, Penelope D	St. Lucie	therapist
Tillman, Stuart	Leon	physician
Watson, Rosalind	Escambia	home health services provider
Wilson, Avalicia	Marion	home & community-based service provider



The Agency encourages consumers, advocates and anyone who may have a concern or observes a problem in any health care facility or with any provider regulated by the Agency to file a complaint by calling the Agency's consumer complaint line at 1-888-419-3456 or by reporting online at [http://ahca.myflorida.com/Contact/call\\_center.shtml](http://ahca.myflorida.com/Contact/call_center.shtml). The Agency's response to complaints is swift—within one day for concerns of serious resident harm and an average investigation time of 22 days for all complaints.

Tips about suspected fraud can be reported by calling the Attorney General's Fraud Hotline at 1-866-966-7226 or the Agency's Consumer Call Center at 1-888-419-3456. Anyone can report fraud online by visiting the Agency's Web site at [www.ahca.myflorida.com](http://www.ahca.myflorida.com) and clicking the "Report Fraud" button.

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