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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVES CEASE-AND-DESIST NOTICES

~ Division of Medical Quality Assurance serves 57 cease-and-desist notices in October 2014 ~

TALLAHASSEE – The Florida Department of Health served 57 cease-and-desist notices during October to individuals practicing health care without a license, which is a felony-level criminal offense in many instances. Treatment by an unlicensed provider is dangerous and could result in further injury, disease or even death.

Abradel Beauty Supply, Orlando, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment **Absolutely Fabulous Accessories**, Port Richey, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment

Amira Beauty Supply, Cutler Bay, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment Amy Beauty Supply, Jacksonville, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment AZIZ Discount Beauty Supply, Fort Lauderdale, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment

AZIZ Discount Beauty Supply, Oakland Park, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment

Beauty Exchange, Orlando, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment **Beauty Outlet,** Jacksonville, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment **Beauty Supplies & 99 Stuff Inc.,** Wilton Manors, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment

Bijou Hair and Wigs, Miami, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment **Bismilla Beauty Supply,** Oakland Park, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment **Brittany Butler,** Orlando, unlicensed practice as a Massage Establishment **Cassandrea Contri,** Crestview, unlicensed practice as an Optician

D&J Beauty Supply, Kissimmee, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment **Dash in Dash Out (2)**, Saint Petersburg, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment **Diamond Beauty Supply**, Tampa, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment **Diamond Girl Beauty Supply**, Fort Lauderdale, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment

Diamond Girl #2 Beauty Supply, Fort Lauderdale, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment

Discount Beauty Supply, Orlando, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment **Discount Beauty Supply,** Saint Petersburg, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment

Diva Beauty Supply #1, Tampa, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment **Dollar & Up,** Orlando, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment **Dollar Store,** Orlando, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment

Dollar Worth, Orlando, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment

Edward Beauty Salon, Miami, unlicensed practice as a Massage Establishment

Elegant Beauty Supplies, Fort Lauderdale, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment

Elegant Beauty Supplies, Orlando, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment Elegant Beauty Supplies (2), Tampa, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment Mariano Ugarriza Fuentes, St. Cloud, unlicensed practice as a Medical Doctor Glamour Tress.com, Lauderhill, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment Golfair Shell Gas Station, Jacksonville, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment Alexander Elliot Gonzalez, Kissimmee, unlicensed practice as a Medical Doctor H & S Optical, Cutler Bay, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment Hit it Beauty Supply, Jacksonville, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment J. J. Beauty Supply, Jacksonville, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment J-Lo Beauty Supply #2, Tampa, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment L&C Jewelry Wholesale, Tampa, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment La Fruteria Mexicana, Wimauma, unlicensed practice as a Pharmacy Lamia Enterprises Inc. dba Kingston Market, Lauderhill, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment

Landon Inc., Miami, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment Lena Hair & Wigs, Miami, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment Miami Twice, Miami, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment Monarch Beauty Supply, Jacksonville, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment Melissa Marie Pesce, Port Richey, unlicensed practice as a Clinical Social Worker Quick Stop Food Store, Saint Petersburg, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment Kaylin R. Smith, Jacksonville, unlicensed practice as a Massage Therapist Star Beauty Supply, Jacksonville, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment Sun Beauty Supply (CJ Beauty Supply), Jacksonville, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment

Sunnys Beauty and Fashion, Saint Petersburg, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment

Liranzo Wellington, Orlando, unlicensed practice as a Medical Doctor #1 Beauty Supply Store, Orlando, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment 2 U Beauty Supply, Jacksonville, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment 305 Beauty Supply Corp, Miami, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment 4th Street Beauty Supply, Saint Petersburg, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment

6S Boutique, Saint Petersburg, unlicensed practice as an Optical Establishment

The Department's Division of Medical Quality Assurance (MQA) Unlicensed Activity (ULA) program under authority of *Florida Statute 456.065* protects Florida residents and visitors from the potentially serious consequences of receiving health care services from an unlicensed person. The ULA program investigates all unlicensed health care activity complaints and allegations and works in conjunction with law enforcement and the state attorney's offices to prosecute individuals practicing without a license.

The Department has several resources to combat unlicensed activity:

- Consumers are encouraged to use the Department's website, www.flhealthsource.gov, where they can conveniently view the license information of their health care practitioner.
- Complaints may be filed anonymously by completing and mailing the <u>complaint form</u> on the Department's website, or by calling 1-877-HALT-ULA. Complaints may also be filed via email at <u>HALTULA@flhealth.gov</u>.

The Department works to protect, promote and improve the health of all people in Florida through integrated state, county and community efforts. During 2014, the Department is recognizing 125 years of public health in Florida with educational opportunities and events. Please visit www.FLHealth125.gov for more information.

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