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MEMORANDUM

MEMO NO.  
QI-1508

TO: QUEST Integrated (QI) Health Plans

FROM: *LES*  
Leslie K. Tawata  
Acting Med-QUEST Division Administrator

SUBJECT: PAYMENT SUSPENSION TO PROVIDER

The purpose of this memorandum is to notify all QUEST Integration Health Plans that all Medicaid payments to Dr. Frederick A. Nitta NPI #1023119385 (Provider #041524) have been restored as of February 11, 2015. The previous suspension enacted on September 30, 2014, and documented on Memo Nos. ADM-1415 / ADM-1416, was challenged by the provider, and the February 11, 2015 Decision issued by the administrative hearing officer overturned the payment suspension. A copy of the suspension letter has been attached for your reference.

Any payments withheld during the suspension to which the provider is entitled to, may be released to the provider as well.

Should you have any questions, please contact Kurt Kresta at (808) 692-8072 or by email at [kkresta@medicaid.dhs.state.hi.us](mailto:kkresta@medicaid.dhs.state.hi.us).

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MEMORANDUM

MEMO NOS.  
ADM-1415 [QUEST]  
ADMX-1416 [QExA]

TO: QUEST and QUEST Expanded Access (QExA) Health Plans  
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FROM: ~~K~~ Kenneth S. Fink, MD, MGA, MPH  
Med-QUEST Division Administrator

SUBJECT: PAYMENT SUSPENSION TO PROVIDER

The purpose of this memorandum is to notify all QUEST and QUEST Expanded Access (QExA) Health Plans that all Medicaid payments to Dr. Frederick A. Nitta – NPI #1023119385 have been temporarily suspended as of September 30, 2014. A copy of the notice sent to the provider is attached for your reference.

The Federal regulation at 42 C.F.R. § 455.23 requires that Medicaid payments be suspended pending the investigation of a “credible allegation of fraud” against any individual or entity, unless the state determines that there is good cause not to suspend payments. At present, the Med-QUEST Division is unaware of any present circumstances that constitute good cause as enumerated in such federal regulations to justify lifting the payment suspension.

The QUEST and QExA Health Plans will be notified if the payment suspension may be lifted, or if Dr. Nitta’s status as a Medicaid provider shall be changed.

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