

STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND INSURANCE

IN THE MATTER OF:

Proceedings by the Commissioner of Banking and Insurance, State of New Jersey, to fine Metro Physicians Management Services Inc.	) ) ) )	CONSENT ORDER
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TO: Metro Physicians Management Services  
Inc.  
2 North Ave West  
Suite 203  
Cranford, NJ 07016

This matter, having been opened by the Commissioner of Banking and Insurance, State of New Jersey (“Commissioner”), upon information that Metro Physicians Management Services Inc. (“Respondent”), a third party billing service, may have violated provisions of the New Jersey Third Party Billing Act, N.J.S.A. 17B:27B-1 to -25 (“Act”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17B:27B-1, a third party billing service is defined as a person or entity that is paid by a health care provider to process claims or claims payments on behalf of the health care provider; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17B:27B-16, no person shall act as, offer to act as or hold itself out to be a third party billing service without being certified by the Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, Respondent started transacting business in New Jersey as a third party billing service in 1988; and

WHEREAS, Respondent submitted an application to the Commissioner for certification as a third party billing service on March 31, 2022, and certification was granted on October 3, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Respondent admits and accepts responsibility for the violation described above; and

WHEREAS, Respondent has waived its right to a hearing on the aforementioned violation and consents to imposition of a civil penalty in the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00), pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17B:27B-24; and

WHEREAS, this matter should be resolved upon the consent of the parties without resort to a formal hearing; and

WHEREAS, good cause exists to impose a civil penalty in this matter; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of JANUARY 2024.

ORDERED AND AGREED that simultaneously with execution of this Consent Order by Respondent, it shall pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$5,000.00 by certified check, official bank check, or money order made payable to the "State of New Jersey," which shall be sent to counsel for the Department; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND AGREED that Respondent shall cease and desist from engaging in the conduct that gave rise to this Consent Order, and from any other violations of the Act; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND AGREED that the provisions of this Consent Order represent a final agency decision and constitute final resolution of the violations contained herein.

  
Justin Zimmerman  
Acting Commissioner

**CONSENTED TO AS TO FORM, CONTENT AND ENTRY:**

 Date: 1/17/24  
By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(On behalf of Metro Physicians Management Services Inc.)

 Date: 1/17/2024  
By: Richard D. Huxford, Esq.  
(Counsel for Metro Physicians Management Services Inc.)

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 Date: 1/24/2024  
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