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Ana C. Rius Armendariz, M.D. Secretary of Health Estado Libre Asociado De Puerto Rico Departamento De Salud P.O. Box 70184 San Juan, PR 00936-8184

Dear Dr. Rius Armendariz:

RE: Juan A. Tosado-Polanco

OI File Number 2-10-40288-9

We have received your letter dated January 9, 2015 requesting an expansion of the waiver of Dr. Tosado-Polanco's exclusion from all Federal health care programs pursuant to section 1128(c)(3)(B) of the Social Security Act. The basis for this request is that Dr. Tosado-Polanco is the sole community physician and the sole source of essential specialized services for an additional municipality (Guayama) in Puerto Rico. This municipality of Guayama will now be included in the waiver granted to Dr. Tosado-Polanco along with the previous municipalities of Maunabo, Patillas, Arroyo and Salinas, herein identified as the South East Region. We have approved this waiver expansion effective with the date of this letter. This waiver supplements the current waiver that was granted for the municipalities in the South East Region of Puerto Rico for obstetrical and gynecological items and services as well as associated primary care services and items provided by Dr. Tosado-Polanco.

Approval of the waiver request means that you may submit claims for payment of obstetrical and gynecological services, as well as associated primary care services and items furnished by Dr. Tosado-Polanco after this date under all Federal health care programs. You should be aware of the fact that Dr. Tosado-Polanco remains excluded from participation in the Medicare, Medicaid and all Federal health care programs in the rest of Puerto Rico and in all other States.

If at any time, Dr. Tosado-Polanco no longer provides services to the 5 municipalities listed above, his exclusion from the Federal health care programs will be fully reinstated.

Sincerely,

Thomas Sowinski

Reviewing Official/Special Agent in Charge

Health Care Program Exclusions