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MAGISTRATE JUDGE SIMONTON

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

VS.

ORLANDO BUSTABAD, ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD, IDILSIS MANRESA, SARA FERNANDEZ ESCOBAR, MIRTHA CARRION JIMENEZ, ALEJANDRO MENA, and ALEJANDRO SIERRA,

Defendants.

Case No.

#### **INDICTMENT**

The Grand Jury charges that:

#### **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

At all times relevant to this Indictment:

#### The Medicare Program

1. The Medicare Program ("Medicare") was a federal program that provided free or below-cost health care benefits to certain individuals, primarily the elderly, blind, and disabled. Medicare was administered by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services ("CMS"), a federal agency under the United States Department of Health and Human Services ("HHS"). Individuals who received benefits under Medicare were commonly referred to as Medicare "beneficiaries."

- 2. The Medicare program was divided into different "parts." Part D of Medicare subsidized the costs of prescription drugs for Medicare beneficiaries in the United States. It was enacted as part of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 and went into effect on January 1, 2006.
- 3. In order to receive Part D benefits, a beneficiary had to be enrolled in a Medicare drug plan. Medicare drug plans were operated by private companies approved by Medicare. Those companies were often referred to as drug plan sponsors. A beneficiary in a Medicare drug plan could fill a prescription at a pharmacy and use his or her plan to pay for some or all of the prescription.
- 4. A pharmacy could participate in Part D by entering a retail network agreement with one or more Pharmacy Benefit Managers ("PBMs"). Each PBM acted on behalf of one or more Medicare drug plans. Through a plan's PBM, a pharmacy could join the plan's network. When a Part D beneficiary presented a prescription to a pharmacy, the pharmacy submitted a claim to the PBM that represented the beneficiary's Medicare drug plan. The plan or PBM determined whether the pharmacy was entitled to payment for each claim and periodically paid the pharmacy for outstanding claims. The drug plan's sponsor reimbursed the PBM for its payments to the pharmacy.
- 5. A pharmacy could also submit claims to Medicare Part D's Limited Income Newly Eligible Transition ("LINET") program. The LINET program provided temporary coverage to certain low income individuals who were newly eligible for Medicare Part D benefits. The LINET program provided Medicare Part D coverage until LINET enrolled beneficiaries selected or were assigned a Medicare Part D drug plan. A beneficiary enrolled in Medicare's LINET program could fill a prescription at a pharmacy and use the LINET program to pay for some or all of the costs of

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the prescription.

- 6. The LINET program was operated by Humana on behalf of CMS. All LINET claims submitted were processed by Humana. A pharmacy did not have to have a contract with Humana in order to submit LINET claims and receive reimbursement from the LINET program. When a beneficiary who was eligible for participation or enrolled in the LINET program presented a prescription to a pharmacy, the pharmacy submitted the LINET claim to Humana on behalf of the beneficiary. If Humana then determined that the pharmacy was entitled to payment based upon the claim, LINET made payments through its PBM, Argus, directly to the pharmacy.
- 7. To obtain payment from a PBM for a claim, pharmacies typically submitted claims electronically via the internet. The claim required certain important information, including: (a) the beneficiary's name and Health Insurance Claim Number ("HICN") or other identification number; (b) a description of the health care benefit, item, or service that was provided or supplied to the beneficiary; (c) the billing codes for the benefit, item, or service; (d) the date upon which the benefit, item, or service was provided or supplied to the beneficiary; and (e) the name of the referring physician or other health care provider, as well as a unique identifying number, known either as the Unique Physician Identification Number ("UPIN") or National Provider Identifier ("NPI").
- 8. When a pharmacy submitted a claim to a PBM, the pharmacy certified that the contents of the claim were true, correct, complete, and that the claim was prepared in compliance with the laws and regulations governing the Medicare program. The submitting pharmacy also certified that the prescription drugs being billed were prescribed and were in fact provided as billed.

- 9. Medicare, through CMS, compensated the Medicare drug plan sponsors. Medicare paid the sponsors a monthly fee for each Medicare beneficiary of the sponsors' plans. Such payments were called capitation fees. The capitation fee was adjusted periodically based upon various factors, including the beneficiary's medical conditions. In addition, in some cases where a sponsor's expenses for a beneficiary's prescription drugs exceeded that beneficiary's capitation fee, Medicare reimbursed the sponsor of a portion of those additional expenses.
- 10. Medicare, Medicare drug plan sponsors, and the LINET program were health care benefit programs, as defined by Title 18, United States Code, Section 24(b).

#### **Medicare Drug Plan Sponsors**

11. United Healthcare Insurance Company ("United"), Humana Insurance Company ("Humana"), Simply Healthcare Plans Inc. ("Simply"), the LINET program, HealthSun Health Plans, Inc. ("HealthSun"), Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company ("Cigna"), and Medco Containment Life Insurance Company ("Medco") were, among others, Medicare drug plan sponsors.

#### The Defendants and Related Entities

- 12. Med Solution Pharmacy, Discount & Equipment Corp ("Med Solution Pharmacy") was a Florida corporation, located at 10694 S.W. 24th Street, Miami, Florida. Med Solution Pharmacy was a pharmacy that purportedly provided prescription drugs to Medicare beneficiaries.
- 13. 17<sup>th</sup> Street Pharmacy & Discount, Inc. ("17<sup>th</sup> Street Pharmacy") was a Florida corporation, located at 1691 N.W. 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Miami, Florida. 17<sup>th</sup> Street Pharmacy was a pharmacy that purportedly provided prescription drugs to Medicare beneficiaries.

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- 14. Rapid Pharmacy Corp ("Rapid Pharmacy") was a Florida corporation, located at 2017 W. 62nd Street, Hialeah, Florida. Rapid Pharmacy was a pharmacy that purportedly provided prescription drugs to Medicare beneficiaries.
- 15. Euro Pharma Inc. ("Euro Pharmacy") was a Florida corporation, located at 2350 W. 60th Street, #5, Hialeah, Florida. Euro Pharmacy was a pharmacy that purportedly provided prescription drugs to Medicare beneficiaries.
- 16. A&B Pharmacy Discount Inc. ("A&B Pharmacy") was a Florida corporation, located at 846 S.W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Hialeah, Florida. A&B Pharmacy was a pharmacy that purportedly provided prescription drugs to Medicare beneficiaries.
- 17. Maxi Pharmacy Discount Corp. ("Maxi Pharmacy") was a Florida corporation, located at 6459 S.W. 8th Street, Miami, Florida. Maxi Pharmacy was a pharmacy that purportedly provided prescription drugs to Medicare beneficiaries.
- 18. Mariposa Pharmacy & Discount Inc. ("Mariposa Pharmacy") was a Florida corporation, located at 251 Park Boulevard, Miami, Florida. Mariposa Pharmacy was a pharmacy that purportedly provided prescription drugs to Medicare beneficiaries.
- 19. 49<sup>th</sup> Street Pharmacy, LLC ("49<sup>th</sup> Street Pharmacy") was a Florida company, 455 East 49<sup>th</sup> Street, Hialeah, Florida. 49<sup>th</sup> Street Pharmacy was a pharmacy that purportedly provided prescription drugs to Medicare beneficiaries.
- 20. **ORLANDO BUSTABAD** and **ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD** were residents of Miami-Dade County and the true owners of Med Solution Pharmacy, 17<sup>th</sup> Street Pharmacy, Rapid Pharmacy, Euro Pharmacy, A&B Pharmacy, Maxi Pharmacy, Mariposa Pharmacy, and 49<sup>th</sup> Street Pharmacy from in or around February 2013 to the date of the return of this Indictment. **ORLANDO BUSTABAD** was also the president and registered agent of Rapid

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Pharmacy from approximately on or about July 28, 2014, to approximately on or about December 5, 2014.

- 21. **SARA FERNANDEZ ESCOBAR** was a resident of Miami-Dade County and the president and registered agent of Rapid Pharmacy from approximately on or about February 5, 2014, to approximately on or about July 27, 2014. **FERNANDEZ ESCOBAR** was also the president and registered agent of 49<sup>th</sup> Street Pharmacy from approximately on or about November 10, 2016, to approximately on or about February 23, 2017.
- 22. **MIRTHA CARRION JIMENEZ** was a resident of Miami-Dade County and the president and registered agent of Euro Pharmacy from approximately on or about May 18, 2015, to approximately on or about August 21, 2015.
- 23. **IDILSIS MANRESA** was a resident of Miami-Dade County and an employee of Rapid Pharmacy from approximately on or about February 2014, to approximately on or about December 2014. **MANRESA** was also the president and registered agent of A&B Pharmacy from approximately on or about August 13, 2015, to approximately on or about November 13, 2015. **MANRESA** was also the president and registered agent of Mariposa Pharmacy from approximately on or about August 10, 2016, to approximately on or about August 28, 2016.
- 24. **ALEJANDRO MENA** was a resident of Miami-Dade County and the president and registered agent of Maxi Pharmacy from approximately on or about May 10, 2016, to approximately on or about August 4, 2016. **MENA** was also president and registered agent of Mariposa Pharmacy from approximately on or about August 29, 2016, to approximately on or about November 1, 2016.
- 25. **ALEJANDRO SIERRA** was a resident of Miami-Dade County and the president and registered agent of Mariposa Pharmacy from approximately on or about July 15, 2016, to

approximately on or about August 9, 2016.

# COUNT 1 Conspiracy to Commit Health Care Fraud and Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1349)

- 1. Paragraphs 1 through 14 and 20, 21, and 23 of the General Allegations section of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.
- 2. From in or around February 2013, through in or around December 2014, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

#### ORLANDO BUSTABAD, ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD, IDILSIS MANRESA, and SARA FERNANDEZ ESCOBAR,

did knowingly, that is, with the intent to further the objects of the conspiracy, and willfully combine, conspire, confederate and agree with each other and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, to commit offenses against the United States, that is:

- a. to knowingly and willfully execute a scheme and artifice to defraud a health care benefit program affecting commerce, as defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 24(b), that is, Medicare, United, the LINET program, HealthSun, Cigna, and Medco, to obtain, by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, money and property owned by, and under the custody and control of, said health care benefit programs, in connection with the delivery of and payment for health care benefits, items, and services, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1347; and
- b. to knowingly and with the intent to defraud, devise and intend to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud and for obtaining money and property by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, knowing the pretenses, representations, and promises were false and fraudulent when made, and for the purpose of executing the scheme and

artifice, did knowingly transmit and cause to be transmitted by means of wire communication in interstate commerce, certain writings, signs, signals, pictures and sounds, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1343.

#### **PURPOSE OF THE CONSPIRACY**

3. It was the purpose of the conspiracy for the defendants and their co-conspirators to unlawfully enrich themselves by, among other things: (a) submitting and causing the submission of false and fraudulent claims to health care benefit programs; (b) concealing the submission of false and fraudulent claims to health care benefit programs; (c) concealing the receipt of the fraud proceeds; and (d) diverting the fraud proceeds for their personal use and benefit, the use and benefit of others, and to further the fraud.

#### MANNER AND MEANS OF THE CONSPIRACY

The manner and means by which the defendants and their co-conspirators sought to accomplish the objects and purpose of the conspiracy included, among others:

- 4. **ORLANDO BUSTABAD** and **ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD** submitted and caused the submission of claims, via interstate wires, totaling approximately \$2,228,677, which falsely and fraudulently represented that various health care benefits, primarily prescription drugs, were medically necessary, prescribed by a doctor, and had been provided by Med Solution to Medicare beneficiaries.
- 5. As a result of such false and fraudulent claims, Medicare prescription drug plan sponsors, through their PBMs, made payments funded by the Medicare Part D Program to the corporate bank accounts of Med Solution Pharmacy in the approximate amount of \$978,248.
- 6. **ORLANDO BUSTABAD** and **ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD** submitted and caused the submission of claims, via interstate wires, totaling approximately \$1,348,289, which

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falsely and fraudulently represented that various health care benefits, primarily prescription drugs, were medically necessary, prescribed by a doctor, and had been provided by 17<sup>th</sup> Street Pharmacy to Medicare beneficiaries.

- 7. As a result of such false and fraudulent claims, Medicare prescription drug plan sponsors, through their PBMs, made payments funded by the Medicare Part D Program to 17<sup>th</sup> Street Pharmacy in the approximate amount of \$515,913.
- 8. ORLANDO BUSTABAD, ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD, IDILSIS MANRESA, and SARA FERNANDEZ ESCOBAR, submitted and caused the submission of claims, via interstate wires, totaling approximately \$2,987,034, which falsely and fraudulently represented that various health care benefits, primarily prescription drugs, were medically necessary, prescribed by a doctor, and had been provided by Rapid Pharmacy to Medicare beneficiaries.
- 9. As a result of such false and fraudulent claims, Medicare prescription drug plan sponsors, through their PBMs, made payments funded by the Medicare Part D Program to Rapid Pharmacy in the approximate amount of \$1,364,679.
- 10. ORLANDO BUSTABAD, ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD, IDILSIS MANRESA, and SARA FERNANDEZ ESCOBAR, and others used the proceeds of the health care fraud for their personal use and benefit, and to further the fraud.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1349.

#### COUNTS 2-10 Health Care Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1347)

1. Paragraphs 1 through 14 and 20, 21, and 23 of the General Allegations section of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

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2. From in or around February 2013, through in or around December 2014, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

#### ORLANDO BUSTABAD, ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD, IDILSIS MANRESA, and SARA FERNANDEZ ESCOBAR,

in connection with the delivery of and payment for health care benefits, items, and services, did knowingly and willfully execute, and attempt to execute, a scheme and artifice to defraud a health care benefit program affecting commerce, as defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 24(b), that is, Medicare, United, the LINET program, HealthSun, Cigna, and Medco, to obtain, by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, money and property owned by, and under the custody and control of, said health care benefit programs.

#### Purpose of the Scheme and Artifice

3. It was a purpose of the scheme and artifice for the defendants and their accomplices to unlawfully enrich themselves by, among other things: (a) submitting and causing the submission of false and fraudulent claims to a health care benefit program; (b) concealing the submission of false and fraudulent claims to a health care benefit program; (c) concealing the receipt of the fraud proceeds; and (d) diverting the fraud proceeds for their personal use and benefit, the use and benefit of others, and to further the fraud.

#### The Scheme and Artifice

4. The Manner and Means section of Count 1 of this Indictment is re-alleged and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein as a description of the scheme and artifice.

#### Acts in Execution or Attempted Execution of the Scheme and Artifice

5. On or about the dates specified as to each count below, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants, ORLANDO BUSTABAD, ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD, IDILSIS MANRESA, and SARA FERNANDEZ ESCOBAR, as specified in each count below, in connection with the delivery of and payment for health care benefits, items, and services, did knowingly and willfully execute, and attempt to execute, the above-described scheme and artifice to defraud a health care benefit program affecting commerce, that is, Medicare, United, the LINET program, HealthSun, Cigna, and Medco, to obtain, by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, money and property owned by, and under the custody and control of, said health care benefit programs, in that the defendants submitted and caused the submission of false and fraudulent claims seeking the identified dollar amounts, and representing that the pharmacies provided pharmaceutical items and services to Medicare beneficiaries pursuant to physicians' orders and prescriptions as set forth below:

Count	Defendants	Medicare Beneficiary	Approx. Date Claim Received	Unique ID Number	Item Claimed; Approx. Amount Claimed	Medicare Drug Plan	Pharmacy
2	Orlando Bustabad, Orlando Olver Bustabad	E.C.	4/08/13	39293824671	Seroquel; \$1,014	HealthSun	Med Solution

Count	Defendants	Medicare Beneficiary	Approx. Date Claim Received	PDE Claim Unique ID Number	Item Claimed; Approx. Amount Claimed	Medicare Drug Plan	Pharmacy
3	Orlando Bustabad; Orlando Olver Bustabad	С.Н.	4/10/13	30461212020	Dovonex; \$830	Cigna	Med Solution
4	Orlando Bustabad; Orlando Olver Bustabad	N.D.	06/04/13	32092184278	Abilify; \$955	Cigna	Med Solution
5	Orlando Bustabad and Orlando Olver Bustabad	W.P.	08/14/13	45694168074	Aricept; \$323	United	17 <sup>th</sup> Street
6	Orlando Bustabad and Orlando Olver Bustabad	H.B.	08/20/13	38076515470	Invega; \$402	United	17 <sup>th</sup> Street
7	Orlando Bustabad and Orlando Olver Bustabad	P.P.	12/05/13	36381340019	Acitretin; \$952	Medco	17 <sup>th</sup> Street
8	Orlando Bustabad, Orlando Olver Bustabad, Sara Fernandez Escobar and Idilsis Manresa	P.P.	02/25/14	37638958483	Solaraze; \$520	Medco	Rapid
9	Orlando Bustabad, Orlando Olver Bustabad, Sara Fernandez Escobar and Idilsis Manresa	K.M.	04/09/14	38497048391	Advair Diskus; \$383	United	Rapid

Count	Defendants	Medicare Beneficiary	Approx. Date Claim Received	Unique ID Number	Item Claimed; Approx. Amount Claimed	Medicare Drug Plan	Pharmacy
10	Orlando Bustabad,	M.G.	10/31/14	43551508870	Exelon;	United	Rapid
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In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1347 and 2.

# Conspiracy to Commit Health Care Fraud and Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1349)

- 1. Paragraphs 1 through 11, and 15, 16, 20, 22, and 23 of the General Allegations section of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.
- 2. From in or around May 2015, through in or around November 2015, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

#### ORLANDO BUSTABAD, ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD, IDILSIS MANRESA, and MIRTHA CARRION JIMENEZ,

did knowingly, that is, with the intent to further the objects of the conspiracy, and willingly combine, conspire, confederate and agree with each other and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, to commit offenses against the United States of America, that is:

a. to knowingly and willfully execute a scheme and artifice to defraud a health care benefit program affecting commerce, as defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 24(b),

that is, Medicare, and the LINET program, to obtain, by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, money and property owned by, and under the custody and control of, said health care benefit programs, in connection with the delivery of and payment for health care benefits, items, and services, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1347; and

b. to knowingly and with the intent to defraud, devise and intend to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud and for obtaining money and property by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, knowing the pretenses, representations, and promises were false and fraudulent when made, and for the purpose of executing the scheme and artifice, did knowingly transmit and cause to be transmitted by means of wire communication in interstate commerce, certain writings, signs, signals, pictures and sounds, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1343.

#### PURPOSE OF THE CONSPIRACY

3. It was the purpose of the conspiracy for the defendants and their co-conspirators to unlawfully enrich themselves by, among other things: (a) submitting and causing the submission of false and fraudulent claims to health care benefit programs; (b) concealing the submission of false and fraudulent claims to health care benefit programs; (c) concealing the receipt of the fraud proceeds; and (d) diverting the fraud proceeds for their personal use and benefit, the use and benefit of others, and to further the fraud.

#### MANNER AND MEANS OF THE CONSPIRACY

The manner and means by which the defendants and their co-conspirators sought to accomplish the objects and purpose of the conspiracy included, among others:

- 4. ORLANDO BUSTABAD, ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD, IDILSIS MANRESA and MIRTHA CARRION JIMENEZ, submitted and caused the submission of claims, via interstate wires, totaling approximately \$760,513, which falsely and fraudulently represented that various health care benefits, primarily prescription drugs, were medically necessary, prescribed by a doctor, and had been provided by Euro Pharmacy to Medicare beneficiaries.
- 5. As a result of such false and fraudulent claims, Medicare prescription drug plan sponsors, through their PBMs, made payments funded by the Medicare Part D Program to Euro Pharmacy in the approximate amount of \$340,256.
- 6. **ORLANDO BUSTABAD, ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD,** and **IDILSIS MANRESA,** submitted and caused the submission of claims, via interstate wires, totaling approximately \$1,416,277, which falsely and fraudulently represented that various health care benefits, primarily prescription drugs, were medically necessary, prescribed by a doctor, and had been provided by A&B Pharmacy to Medicare beneficiaries.
- 7. As a result of such false and fraudulent claims, Medicare prescription drug plan sponsors, through their PBMs, made payments funded by the Medicare Part D Program to A&B Pharmacy in the approximate amount of \$614,546.
- 8. ORLANDO BUSTABAD, ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD, IDILSIS MANRESA, and MIRTHA CARRION JIMENEZ, and others used the proceeds of the health care fraud for their personal use and benefit, and to further the fraud.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1349.

#### COUNTS 12-17 Health Care Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1347)

- 1. Paragraphs 1 through 11, and 15, 16, 20, 22, and 23 of the General Allegations section of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.
- 2. From in or around May 2015, through in or around November 2015, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

# ORLANDO BUSTABAD, ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD, IDILSIS MANRESA, and MIRTHA CARRION JIMENEZ,

in connection with the delivery of and payment for health care benefits, items, and services, did knowingly and willfully execute, and attempt to execute, a scheme and artifice to defraud a health care benefit program affecting commerce, as defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 24(b), that is, Medicare, and the LINET program, and to obtain, by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, money and property owned by, and under the custody and control of, said health care benefit programs.

#### Purpose of the Scheme and Artifice

3. It was a purpose of the scheme and artifice for the defendants and their accomplices to unlawfully enrich themselves by, among other things: (a) submitting and causing the submission of false and fraudulent claims to a health care benefit program; (b) concealing the submission of false and fraudulent claims to a health care benefit program; (c) concealing the receipt of the fraud proceeds; and (d) diverting the fraud proceeds for their personal use and benefit, and the use and benefit of others, and to further the fraud.

#### The Scheme and Artifice

4. The Manner and Means section of Count 1 of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein as a description of the scheme and artifice.

#### Acts in Execution or Attempted Execution of the Scheme and Artifice

5. On or about the dates specified as to each count below, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants, ORLANDO BUSTABAD, ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD, IDILSIS MANRESA, and MIRTHA CARRION JIMENEZ, as specified in each count below, in connection with the delivery of and payment for health care benefits, items, and services, did knowingly and willfully execute, and attempt to execute, the above-described scheme and artifice to defraud a health care benefit program affecting commerce, that is, Medicare and the LINET program, to obtain, by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, money and property owned by, and under the custody and control of, said health care benefit programs, in that the defendants submitted and caused the submission of false and fraudulent claims seeking the identified dollar amounts, and representing that the pharmacies provided pharmaceutical items and services to Medicare beneficiaries pursuant to physicians' orders and prescriptions as set forth below:

Count	Defendants	Medicare Beneficiary	Approx. Date Claim Received	PDE Claim Unique ID Number	Item Claimed; Approx. Amount Claimed	Medicare Drug Plan	Pharmacy
12	Orlando Bustabad, Orlando Olver Bustabad, Mirtha Carrion Jimenez and Idilsis Manresa	T.L.	06/08/15	155597680871 000492471928	Restasis; \$429	LINET	Euro

Count		Medicare Beneficiary	Approx. Date Claim Received	PDE Claim Unique ID Number	Item Claimed; Approx. Amount Claimed	Medicare Drug Plan	Pharmacy
13	Orlando Bustabad, Orlando Olver Bustabad, Mirtha Carrion Jimenez and Idilsis Manresa	N.S.	06/08/15	155597778211 0000491774436	Latuda; \$1,382	LINET	Euro
14	Orlando Bustabad, Orlando Olver Bustabad, Mirtha Carrion Jimenez and Idilsis Manresa	G.G.	07/24/15	156051370651 0000492780434	Budesonide; \$1,700	LINET	Euro
15	Orlando Bustabad, Orlando Olver Bustabad and Idilsis Manresa	N.A.	08/25/15	156379540021 0000493735649	Diclofenac Sodium; \$1,179	LINET	A&B
16	Orlando Bustabad, Orlando Olver Bustabad and Idilsis Manresa	M.V.	08/31/15	156433003641 0000493735646	Voriconazole; \$1,507	LINET	A&B
17	Orlando Bustabad, Orlando Olver Bustabad and Idilsis Manresa	T.P.	09/14/15	156571335371 0000493735649	Calcipotriene; \$723	LINET	A&B

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1347 and 2.

# Count 18 Conspiracy to Commit Health Care Fraud and Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1349)

- 1. Paragraphs 1 through 11, and 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, and 25 of the General Allegations section of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.
- 2. From in or around May 2016, through in or around February 2017, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

# ORLANDO BUSTABAD, ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD, IDILSIS MANRESA, SARA FERNANDEZ ESCOBAR, ALEJANDRO MENA, and ALEJANDRO SIERRA,

did knowingly, that is, with the intent to further the objects of the conspiracy, and willfully combine, conspire, confederate and agree with each other and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, to commit offenses against the United States of America, that is:

- a. to knowingly and willfully execute a scheme and artifice to defraud a health care benefit program affecting commerce, as defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 24(b), that is, Medicare, Humana, Simply, the LINET program, Silverscript, and Aetna, to obtain, by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, money and property owned by, and under the custody and control of, said health care benefit programs, in connection with the delivery of and payment for health care benefits, items, and services, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1347; and
- b. to knowingly and with the intent to defraud, devise and intend to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud and for obtaining money and property by means of materially false and

fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, knowing the pretenses, representations, and promises were false and fraudulent when made, and for the purpose of executing the scheme and artifice, did knowingly transmit and cause to be transmitted by means of wire communication in interstate commerce, certain writings, signs, signals, and pictures and sounds, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1343.

#### PURPOSE OF THE CONSPIRACY

3. It was the purpose of the conspiracy for the defendants and their co-conspirators to unlawfully enrich themselves by, among other things: (a) submitting and causing the submission of false and fraudulent claims to health care benefit programs; (b) concealing the submission of false and fraudulent claims to health care benefit programs; (c) concealing the receipt of the fraud proceeds; and (d) diverting the fraud proceeds for their personal use and benefit, the use and benefit of others, and to further the fraud.

#### MANNER AND MEANS OF THE CONSPIRACY

The manner and means by which the defendants and their co-conspirators sought to accomplish the objects and purpose of the conspiracy included, among others:

- 4. **ORLANDO BUSTABAD, ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD,** and **ALEJANDRO MENA** submitted and caused the submission of claims, via interstate wires, totaling approximately \$671,158, which falsely and fraudulently represented that various health care benefits, primarily prescription drugs, were medically necessary, prescribed by a doctor, and had been provided by Maxi Pharmacy to Medicare beneficiaries.
- 5. As a result of such false and fraudulent claims, Medicare prescription drug plan sponsors, through their PBMs, made payments funded by the Medicare Part D Program to Maxi Pharmacy in the approximate amount of \$258,823.

- 6. ORLANDO BUSTABAD, ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD, IDILSIS MANRESA, ALEJANDRO SIERRA, and ALEJANDRO MENA submitted and caused the submission of claims, via interstate wires, totaling approximately \$423,928, which falsely and fraudulently represented that various health care benefits, primarily prescription drugs, were medically necessary, prescribed by a doctor, and had been provided by Mariposa Pharmacy to Medicare beneficiaries.
- 7. As a result of such false and fraudulent claims, Medicare prescription drug plan sponsors, through their PBMs, made payments funded by the Medicare Part D Program to Mariposa Pharmacy in the approximate amount of \$327,405.
- 8. **ORLANDO BUSTABAD, ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD,** and **SARA FERNANDEZ ESCOBAR,** submitted and caused the submission of claims, via interstate wires, totaling approximately \$347,155, which falsely and fraudulently represented that various health care benefits, primarily prescription drugs, were medically necessary, prescribed by a doctor, and had been provided by 49<sup>th</sup> Street Pharmacy to Medicare beneficiaries.
- 9. As a result of such false and fraudulent claims, Medicare prescription drug plan sponsors, through their PBMs, made payments funded by the Medicare Part D Program to 49<sup>th</sup> Street Pharmacy in the approximate amount of \$249,872.
- 10. ORLANDO BUSTABAD, ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD, IDILSIS MANRESA, SARA FERNANDEZ ESCOBAR, ALEJANDRO MENA, and ALEJANDRO SIERRA, and others used the proceeds of the health care fraud for their personal use and benefit, and to further the fraud.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1349.

#### COUNTS 19-27 Health Care Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1347)

- 1. Paragraphs 1 through 11, and 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, and 25 of the General Allegations section of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.
- 2. From in or around May 2016, through in or around February 2017, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

ORLANDO BUSTABAD,
ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD,
IDILSIS MANRESA,
SARA FERNANDEZ ESCOBAR,
ALEJANDRO MENA,
and
ALEJANDRO SIERRA,

in connection with the delivery of and payment for health care benefits, items, and services, did knowingly and willfully execute, and attempt to execute, a scheme and artifice to defraud a health care benefit program affecting commerce, as defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 24(b), that is, Medicare, Humana, Simply, the LINET program, Silverscript, and Aetna, to obtain, by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, money and property owned by, and under the custody and control of, said health care benefit programs.

#### Purpose of the Scheme and Artifice

3. It was a purpose of the scheme and artifice for the defendants and their accomplices to unlawfully enrich themselves by, among other things: (a) submitting and causing the submission of false and fraudulent claims to a health care benefit program; (b) concealing the submission of false and fraudulent claims to a health care benefit program; (c) concealing the receipt of the fraud proceeds; and (d) diverting the fraud proceeds for their personal use and

benefit, and the use and benefit of others, and to further the fraud.

#### The Scheme and Artifice

4. The Manner and Means section of Count 1 of this Indictment is re-alleged and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein as a description of the scheme and artifice.

#### Acts in Execution or Attempted Execution of the Scheme and Artifice

5. On or about the dates specified as to each count below, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants, ORLANDO BUSTABAD, ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD, IDILSIS MANRESA, SARA FERNANDEZ ESCOBAR, ALEJANDRO MENA, and ALEJANDRO SIERRA, as specified in each count below, in connection with the delivery of and payment for health care benefits, items, and services, did knowingly and willfully execute, and attempt to execute, the above-described scheme and artifice to defraud a health care benefit program affecting commerce, that is, Medicare, Humana, Simply, the LINET program, Silverscript, and Aetna, to obtain, by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, money and property owned by, and under the custody and control of, said health care benefit programs, in that the defendants submitted and caused the submission of false and fraudulent claims seeking the identified dollar amounts, and representing that the pharmacies provided pharmaceutical items and services to Medicare beneficiaries pursuant to physicians' orders and prescriptions as set forth below:

Count	Defendants	Medicare Beneficiary	Approx. Date Claim Received	PDE Claim Unique ID Number	Item Claimed; Approx. Amount Claimed	Medicare Drug Plan	Pharmacy
19	Orlando Bustabad, Orlando Olver Bustabad and Alejandro Mena	A.C.L.	05/11/16	55848327886	Canasa; \$889	Simply	Maxi
20	Orlando Bustabad, Orlando Olver Bustabad and Alejandro Mena	A.P.	05/16/16	57787986891	Xarelto; \$360	Simply	Maxi
21	Orlando Bustabad, Orlando Olver Bustabad and Alejandro Mena	E.M.	05/31/16	59660656182	Namenda; \$354	Simply	Maxi
22	Orlando Bustabad, Orlando Olver Bustabad, Idilsis Manresa, Alejandro Mena and Alejandro Sierra	M.S.	07/29/16	57794963067	Canasa; \$889	Humana	Mariposa
23	Orlando Bustabad, Orlando Olver Bustabad, Idilsis Manresa, Alejandro Mena and Alejandro Sierra	A.S.	08/17/16	58563765667	Restasis; \$427	Humana	Mariposa
24	Orlando Bustabad, Orlando Olver Bustabad, Idilsis Manresa, Alejandro Mena and Alejandro Sierra	R.P.	08/18/16	58507041107	Seroquel; \$1,500	LINET	Mariposa

Count	Defendants	Medicare Beneficiary	Approx. Date Claim Received	PDE Claim Unique ID Number	Item Claimed; Approx. Amount Claimed	Medicare Drug Plan	Pharmacy
25	Orlando	M.S.	12/07/16	60895859174	Restasis;	Aetna	49 <sup>th</sup>
	Bustabad,				\$435		Street
	Orlando Olver						
	Bustabad and						
	Sara Fernandez						*
26	Orlando	F.M.	12/21/16	61278011894	Seroquel XR;	Simply	49 <sup>th</sup> street
	Bustabad,				\$521		
	Orlando Olver				-		
	Bustabad and						
	Sara Fernandez						
27	Orlando	T.H.	01/12/17	61781127083	Latuda;	Silverscript	49 <sup>th</sup>
	Bustabad,				\$1,541		Street
	Orlando Olver						
	Bustabad and						
	Sara Fernandez						

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1347 and 2.

# COUNTS 28-35 Aggravated Identity Theft (18 U.S.C. § 1028A)

- 1. Paragraphs 1 through 25 of the General Allegations section of this Indictment are realleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.
- 2. On or about the dates listed below, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

#### ORLANDO BUSTABAD and ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD,

during and in relation to a felony violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1347, that is, Health Care Fraud, as alleged in Counts 4, 7, 10, 12, 15, 21, 23 and 27 of this Indictment, did knowingly transfer, possess, and use, without lawful authority, a means of identification of another

#### person, as set forth below:

Count	Predicate Count	Means of Identification	Approximate  Date
28	4	Name, Medicare HICN XXX-XX-1202A, and date of birth, belonging to "N.D."	06/04/13
29	7	Name, Medicare HICN XXX-XX-3062A, and date of birth, belonging to "P.P."	12/05/13
30	10	Name, Medicare HICN XXX-XX-5377A, and date of birth, belonging to "M.G."	10/31/14
31	12	Name, NPI XXXXXX8971, and medical license number belonging to "M.A."	06/08/15
32	15	Name, NPI XXXXXX1029, and medical license number belonging to "F.L."	08/25/15
33	21	Name, NPI XXXXXX7028, and medical license number belonging to "C.V."	05/31/16
34	23	Name, Medicare HICN XXX-XX-9427A, and date of birth, belonging to "A.S."	08/17/16
35	27	Name, Medicare HICN XXX-XX- 1229A, and date of birth, belonging to "T.H."	01/12/17

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1028A(a)(1) and 2.

## **FORFEITURE** (18 U.S.C. § 982)

1. The allegations contained in this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein for the purpose of alleging forfeiture to the United States of property in which the defendants, ORLANDO BUSTABAD, ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD, IDILSIS MANRESA, SARA FERNANDEZ ESCOBAR, MIRTHA CARRION JIMENEZ, ALEJANDRO MENA, and ALEJANDRO SIERRA, have an interest.

- 2. Upon conviction of any violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1347 or 1349, as alleged in Counts 1 through 27 of this Indictment, the defendants shall forfeit to the United States all of their respective right, title, and interest in any property, real or personal, that constitutes or is derived, directly or indirectly, from gross proceeds traceable to the commission of such violation, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(a)(7).
- 3. The property subject to forfeiture includes, but is not limited to the sum of \$4,649,742.73 in United States currency, which amount is equal to the gross proceeds traceable to the commission of the violations alleged in this Indictment, which the United States will seek as a forfeiture money judgment as part of the defendants' sentence.
- 4. If the property described above as being subject to forfeiture, as a result of any act or omission of the defendants,
  - (a) cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
  - (b) has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with a third party;
  - (c) has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
  - (d) has been substantially diminished in value; or
  - (e) has been commingled with other property which cannot be subdivided without difficulty;

it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), to seek forfeiture of any other property of the defendants up to the value of the above forfeitable property and, in addition, to seek a court order requiring the defendants to return any such property to the jurisdiction of the court for seizure and forfeiture.

All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(a)(7); and the procedures set forth at Title 21, United States Code, Section 853, as made applicable by Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(b)(1).

A TRUE BILL

FOR

BEN AMIN G. ØREENBERG

ACTING UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

CHRISTOPHER J CLARK

ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA vs.			CASE NO.			
		Defendants/	Superseding Case Information:			
Court	Divisio	n: (Select One)	New Defendant(s) Yes No			
<u>X</u>	Miami FTL	Key West KPB FTP	Total number of counts			
	l do he	ereby certify that:				
	1.	I have carefully considered the probable witnesses and the I	ne allegations of the indictment, the number of defendants, the number of egal complexities of the Indictment/Information attached hereto.			
	2.	I am aware that the informat Court in setting their calenda Act, Title 28 U.S.C. Section 3	ion supplied on this statement will be relied upon by the Judges of this irs and scheduling criminal trials under the mandate of the Speedy Trial 3161.			
	3.	Interpreter: (Yes or No) List language and/or dialect	Yes Spanish			
	4.	This case will take 7	_ days for the parties to try.			
	5.	Please check appropriate ca	tegory and type of offense listed below:			
		(Check only one)	(Check only one)			
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	Has a If yes: Magist Relate Defend					
	Is this	a potential death penalty case?	? (Yes or No) No			
	7.	Does this case originate from prior to October 14, 2003?	a matter pending in the Northern Region of the U.S. Attorney's Office  YesXNo			
	8.	Does this case originate from prior to September 1, 2007?	n a matter pending in the Central Region of the U.S. Attorney's Office Yes No			
			Christopher J. Clark ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY			

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Count #: 18					
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Title 18, United Sta	ates Code, Section 1349				
*Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) Years' Imprisonment				
Counts #: 19-27					
Health Care Fraud					
Title 18, United Sta	ates Code, Section 1347				
*Max. Penalty:	Ten (10) Years' Imprisonment as to each count				
Counts #: 28-35					
Aggravated Identity Theft					
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1028A					
*Max. Penalty:	Two (2) Years' Imprisonment as to each count				

<sup>\*</sup>Refers only to possible term of incarceration, does not include possible fines, restitution, special assessments, parole terms, or forfeitures that may be applicable.

<b>Defendant's Name:</b>	ORLANDO OLVER BUSTABAD					
Case No:						
Count #: 1						
Conspiracy to Com	mit Health Care Fraud and Wire Fraud					
Title 18, United Sta	tes Code, Section 1349					
*Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) Years' Imprisonment					
Counts #: 2-10						
Health Care Fraud						
Title 18, United Sta	tes Code, Section 1347					
*Max. Penalty:	Ten (10) Years' Imprisonment as to each count					
Count #: 11						
Conspiracy to Com	mit Health Care Fraud and Wire Fraud					
Title 18, United Sta	tes Code, Section 1349					
*Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) Years' Imprisonment					
Counts #: 12-17						
Health Care Fraud						
Title 18, United Star	Title 18, United States Code, Section 1347					
*Max. Penalty:	Ten (10) Years' Imprisonment as to each count					

Count #: 18		
Conspiracy to Con	mmit Health Care Fraud and Wire Fraud	
Title 18, United S	tates Code, Section 1349	
*Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) Years' Imprisonment	
Counts #: 19-27		
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Title 18, United S	tates Code, Section 1347	
*Max. Penalty:	Ten (10) Years' Imprisonment as to each count	
Counts #: 28-35		
Aggravated Identity Theft		
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1028A		
*Max. Penalty:	Two (2) Years' Imprisonment as to each count	

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Defendant's Name: <u>IDILSIS MANRESA</u>
Case No:
Count #: 1
Conspiracy to Commit Health Care Fraud and Wire Fraud
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1349
*Max. Penalty: Twenty (20) Years' Imprisonment
Counts #: 8,9,10
Health Care Fraud
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1347
*Max. Penalty: Ten (10) Years' Imprisonment as to each count
Count #: 12,13,14,15,16,17
Conspiracy to Commit Health Care Fraud and Wire Fraud
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1349
*Max. Penalty: Twenty (20) Years' Imprisonment as to each count
Count #: 22,23,24
Health Care Fraud
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1347
*Max. Penalty: Ten (10) Years' Imprisonment as to each count

<sup>\*</sup>Refers only to possible term of incarceration, does not include possible fines, restitution, special assessments, parole terms, or forfeitures that may be applicable.

<b>Defendant's Name:</b>	SARA FERNANDEZ ESCOBAR
Case No:	
Count #: 1	
Conspiracy to Com	mit Health Care Fraud and Wire Fraud
Title 18, United Sta	tes Code, Section 1349
*Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) Years' Imprisonment
Counts #: 8,9,10	
Health Care Fraud	
Title 18, United Sta	tes Code, Section 1347
*Max. Penalty:	Ten (10) Years' Imprisonment as to each count
Count #: 18	
Conspiracy to Com	mit Health Care Fraud and Wire Fraud
Title 18, United Sta	tes Code, Section 1349
*Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) Years' Imprisonment
Count #: 25,26,27	
Health Care Fraud	
Title 18, United Sta	tes Code, Section 1347
*Max. Penalty:	Ten (10) Years' Imprisonment as to each count

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Defendant's Name:	ALEJANDRO MENA
Case No:	
Count #: 18	
Conspiracy to Com	mit Health Care Fraud and Wire Fraud
Title 18, United Sta	ites Code, Section 1349
*Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) Years' Imprisonment
Counts #: 19,20,21,22	2,23,24
Health Care Fraud	
Title 18, United Sta	ates Code, Section 1347
*Max. Penalty:	Ten (10) Years' Imprisonment as to each count
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<b>Defendant's Name:</b>	ALEJANDRO SIERRA
Case No:	
Count #: 18	
Conspiracy to Com	mit Health Care Fraud and Wire Fraud
	ites Code, Section 1349
	Twenty (20) Years' Imprisonment
Counts #: 22,23,24	
Health Care Fraud	
	ites Code, Section 1347
*Max. Penalty:	Ten (10) Years' Imprisonment as to each count
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