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February 8, 2010

CERTIFIED MAIL

American Laser Center
24555 Hallwood Court
Farmington Hills, MI 48335-1667

NOTICE TO CEASE AND DESIST

Dear Sir or Madaam:

Recently, the Iowa Board of Medicine (Board) received information which indicates that persons employed by American Laser Center (ALC), located at 1300 37th Street, Suite 4, West Des Moines, IA 50266, have performed medical services without proper physician oversight in violation of the laws and rules governing the practice of medicine. The information reviewed by the Board indicates that non-physician personnel employed by ALC have performed examinations, diagnosed medical conditions, offered treatment recommendations and performed medical procedures including, the use of lasers for the treatment of hyper-pigmentation and cellulite removal, on patients. The information further indicates that persons employed by ALC are unlicensed and unqualified technicians who perform the procedures without appropriate physician supervision. This letter is to formally advise you that ALC must **CEASE AND DESIST** from engaging in the unlawful practice of medicine in Iowa.

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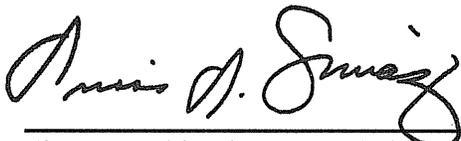
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2. Persons who prescribe, or prescribe and furnish medicine for human ailments or treat the same by surgery.
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A person who is engaged in the practice of medicine is required to obtain a license for that purpose. See Iowa Code Section 147.2. In the event a person engages in the practice of medicine without a license issued by the Board, the office of the Iowa Attorney General is authorized to file a civil action against that person in a state district court to obtain a permanent injunction prohibiting that person from engaging in the unauthorized practice of medicine. See Iowa Code Sections 147.83 and 147.92. Furthermore, such unlicensed practice could subject you to criminal charges, as Section 147.103A(1) provides that a violation of Section 147.2 is a Class "D" felony.

You are hereby warned that ALC must **CEASE AND DESIST** from practicing medicine without a license. If the Board receives information that you have engaged in the unauthorized practice of medicine after the date you receive this letter, a civil injunction action may be filed against you by the office of the Iowa Attorney General, and/or the case may be referred to the county attorney for consideration of criminal prosecution.

I would strongly advise you to contact your attorney to seek advice regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Siroos S. Shirazi". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Siroos S. Shirazi, M.D., Chairman
Iowa Board of Medicine
400 SW 8th Street, Suite C
Des Moines, Iowa 50309-4686



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