



## MEL THOMAS ORTEGA

License Number: ME65154

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|-------------------------|----------------|
| Profession              | Medical Doctor |
| License Status          | Clear/Active   |
| Year Began Practicing   | 06/01/1984     |
| License Expiration Date | 01/31/2028     |

## General Information

### Primary Practice Address

MEL THOMAS ORTEGA  
51 S.W. 42 AVENUE  
1ST FLOOR  
MIAMI, FL 33134

### Medicaid

This practitioner does NOT participate in the Medicaid program.

### Staff Privileges

This practitioner currently holds staff privileges at the following hospital/medical/health institutions:

| Institution Name                     | City         | State   |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|---------|
| AVENTURA HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL CENTER | AVENTURA     | FLORIDA |
| CORAL GABLES HOSPITAL                | CORAL GABLES | FLORIDA |

### Email Address

Please contact at: [meltortega@yahoo.com](mailto:meltortega@yahoo.com)

### Other State Licenses

This practitioner has indicated the following additional state licensure:

| State    | Profession     |
|----------|----------------|
| NEW YORK | MEDICAL DOCTOR |
| OHIO     | MEDICAL DOCTOR |

### Florida Birth-Related Neurological Injury Compensation Association

If you are a Florida Allopathic (MD) or Osteopathic (DO) Physician, you are required to provide proof of payment of the Florida Birth-Related Neurological Injury Compensation Association (NICA) assessment as required by section 766.314, Florida Statutes. Payment of the initial and annual assessment are required of all Florida Allopathic and Osteopathic Physicians who do not qualify for an exemption as set forth in section 766.314(4)(b)4, Florida Statutes.

This practitioner has indicated that he/she has submitted payment of the assessment.

## Education and Training

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| Institution Name     | Degree Title | Dates of Attendance | Graduation Date |
|----------------------|--------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| UNIVERSIDAD LA SALLE | MD           | 8/1/1975 - 7/1/1980 | 07/01/1980      |

Other Health Related Degrees

This practitioner has completed the following other health related degrees:

| School/University                  | City      | State/Country | Dates Attended From | Dates Attended To | Degree Title |
|------------------------------------|-----------|---------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS MEDICAL SCHOOL | GALVESTON | TEXAS         | 07/01/1987          | 06/30/1990        |              |

Professional and Postgraduate Training

This practitioner has completed the following graduate medical education:

| Program Name                           | Program Type | Specialty Area  | Other Specialty Area | City    | State or Country | Dates Attended From | Dates Attended To |
|----------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------------|---------|------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| MIAMI CHILDRENS HOSPITAL               | INTERNSHIP   | PD - PEDIATRICS |                      | MIAMI   | FLORIDA          | 07/01/1981          | 06/01/1982        |
| LINCOLN MEDICAL & MENTAL HEALTH CENTER | RESIDENCY    | GS - SURGERY    |                      | BRONX   | NEW YORK         | 07/01/1982          | 06/01/1986        |
| LINCOLN MEDICAL & MENTAL HEALTH CENTER | RESIDENCY    | GS - SURGERY    |                      | BRONX   | NEW YORK         | 01/01/1986          | 06/01/1987        |
| AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGERY            | FELLOWSHIP   | GS - SURGERY    |                      | CHICAGO | ILLINOIS         | 10/01/1997          | 01/01/0001        |

Academic Appointments

Graduate Medical Education

The practitioner did not provide this mandatory information.

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This practitioner does not currently hold faculty appointments at any medical/health related institutions of higher learning.

Specialty Certification

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This practitioner holds the following certifications from specialty boards recognized by the Florida board which regulates the profession for which he/she is licensed:

| Specialty Board                   | Certification        | Date Certified |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| AMERICAN BOARD OF PLASTIC SURGERY | PS - PLASTIC SURGERY |                |
| AMERICAN BOARD OF SURGERY         | GS - SURGERY         |                |

Financial Responsibility

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I have elected not to carry medical malpractice insurance however, I agree to satisfy any adverse judgments up to the minimum amounts pursuant to s. 458.320(5) (g)1, F. S. I understand that I must either post notice in a sign prominently displayed in my reception area or provide a written statement to any person to whom medical services are being provided that I have decided not to carry medical malpractice insurance. I understand that such a sign or notice must contain the wording specified in s. 458.320(5) (g), F.S.

# Proceedings and Actions

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### Criminal Offenses

The criminal history information, if any exists, may be incomplete; federal criminal history information is not available to the public. Information is verified by the Department at the time of initial licensure and renewal.

This practitioner has indicated that he/she has no criminal offenses required to be published on this profile.

### Medicaid Sanctions and Terminations

This practitioner has not been sanctioned or terminated for cause from the Medicaid program.

### Final Disciplinary Actions Reported by the Department of Health within the last 10 years:

The information below is self reported by the practitioner.

#### Final disciplinary action taken by a specialty board within the last 10 years:

This practitioner has indicated that he/she has \*NOT\* had any final disciplinary action taken against him/her within the last 10 years by a specialty board.

#### Final disciplinary action taken by a licensing agency within the last 10 years:

This practitioner has indicated that he/she has \*NOT\* had any final disciplinary action taken against him/her within the last 10 years by a licensing agency.

#### Disciplinary action taken by a health maintenance organization, pre-paid health clinic, nursing home, licensed hospital or ambulatory surgical center within the last 10 years:

This practitioner has indicated that he/she has \*NOT\* had any final disciplinary action taken against him/her within the last 10 years by a health maintenance organization, pre-paid health clinic, nursing home, licensed hospital or ambulatory surgical center.

The following discipline has been reported as required under 456.041(5), F.S. within the previous 10 years.

#### Resignation from or non-renewal of medical staff membership or the restriction or revocation of staff privileges within the last 10 years by a health maintenance organization, pre-paid health clinic, nursing home, licensed hospital or ambulatory surgical center in lieu of or in settlement of a pending disciplinary case related to competence or character.

This practitioner has indicated that he/she has \*NEVER\* been asked to or allowed to resign from or had any medical staff privileges restricted or revoked within the last 10 years by a health maintenance organization, pre-paid health clinic, nursing home, licensed hospital or ambulatory surgical center.

#### Liability Claims Exceeding \$100,000.00 Within last 10 years.

Settlement of a claim may occur for a variety of reasons that do not necessarily reflect negatively on the professional competence or conduct of the physician. A payment settlement of a medical malpractice action or claim should not be construed as creating a presumption that medical malpractice has occurred.

Additional claims information may have been reported to the Department of Financial Services. To check their web site, please click [here](#).

There have not been any reported liability actions, which are required to be reported under section 456.049, F. S., within the previous 10 years.

## Optional Information

### Committees/Memberships

This practitioner has not indicated any committees on which they serve for any health entity with which they are affiliated.

### Professional or Community Service Awards

This practitioner has provided the following professional or community service activities, honors, or awards:

| Community Service/Award/Honor             | Organization          |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| PAN AMERICAN HONORS-PAN AMERICAN HOSPITAL | PAN AMERICAN HOSPITAL |

### Publications

This practitioner has authored the following publications in peer-reviewed medical literature within the previous ten years:

| Title                                                    | Publication             | Date       |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------|
| SUCCESSFUL SALVAGE OF AN AVULSED EXPENDED SCALP FLAP FOR | SOUTHERN MEDICA JOURNAL | 02/01/1990 |
| INVENTORY OF RECONSTRUCTIVE NEEDS IN THE BURN PATIENT    | JOURNAL BURN CARE REHAB | 11/01/1989 |

### Professional Web Page

This practitioner has not provided any professional web page information.

### Languages Other Than English

This practitioner has indicated that the following languages other than English are used to communicate with patients, or that a translation service is available for patients, at his/her primary place of practice.

SPANISH

### Other Affiliations

This practitioner has provided the following national, state, local, county, and professional affiliations:

| Affiliation                                           |
|-------------------------------------------------------|
| AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS-FELLOW                   |
| AMERICAN SOCIETY OF PLASTIC & RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGEONS |
| FLORIDA MEDICAL SOCIETY                               |