Valpara ☐so: Former Director Ousted 9 Years Ago Over Conflict of Interest Reappointed to Lead Hospital Carlos Van Buren

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Juan Patricio Castro, who resigned in 2016 over an agreement between a private laboratory he represented and the Valpara so Municipal Corporation, has been reappointed to head Hospital Carlos Van Buren prompting health unions including Confedeprus, Fenats, the Medical College and Afutens to urge the Government to halt the appointment and select a qualified professional with strong management skills and respectful leadership.



 \Box He was removed for breaches of probity, \Box said Mois \Box ds Sagredo, president of Fedeprus Valpara \Box so – San Antonio, telling the Valpara \Box so daily La Estrella about the unusual situation at Hospital Carlos Van Buren, where a former director who left the post nine years ago over conflicts of interest has just been reappointed to lead the facility.

The appointee is Juan Patricio Castro, whom the Valpara so – San Antonio Health Service (SSVSA) asked to resign in 2016 over the existence of an agreement between a private laboratory he represented and the Valpara so Municipal Corporation (Cormuval).

□While serving as director of Hospital Van Buren, he favored a tender so that, through his laboratory, he secured all the tests that Cormuval performed at the time, which, Sagredo said, meant more than 1,500 million Chilean pesos (CLP) for Juan Patricio Castro,□ emphasized Mois□ds Sagredo.

The union leader detailed that this week they will deliver a letter to the undersecretary for Healthcare Networks, Bernardo Martorell, to voice their concern over the appointment: \square His relationship with us, the unions, was horrible; he didn \square t listen to anyone. In technical meetings he did not validate his teams, \square the leader said, adding there were several instances of mistreatment.

The news sparked immediate reactions. From the regional council, CORE Paula Rosso (FA) commented that \Box there is a tremendous debt to the people of Valpara \Box so on health matters, and it is urgent for the SSVSA to begin responding. We have waited far too long for solutions that are promised and not delivered. \Box

 \square As a Regional Councilor, I find it unacceptable and disrespectful to health workers and to those of us treated at Hospital Carlos Van Buren that the position be handed to someone who years ago was dismissed after it was shown there were serious conflicts of interest, \square added Paula Rosso.

The Medical College, meanwhile, suggested that the departure of acting director Dafne Secul was a kind of punishment for her stance on the hospital □s budget, which she described as □insufficient.□

Along those lines, CORE Paula Rosso said that \Box I know of Dr. Dafne Secul \Box s work and commitment, because thanks to her and her call, we committed as a Regional Government and funding was provided to equip the Ophthalmology Unit, which had been unable to operate. \Box

Regional media, meanwhile, also reported dissatisfaction among workers \square unions over the appointment of Juan Patricio Castro as the new director of Hospital Van Buren.

Gremios de funcionarios se manifestaron hoy contra la eleccif3n del nuevo director de Hospital Carlos Van Buren de Valpara□so.

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