Mr. S--- was contacted and he states that State Licensed Acupuncturists are considered primary physicians as far as prescriptions are concerned.

Has Regulation 1591 been expanded to include acupuncturists and their writing of drugless substances prescriptions? He was unable to cite the California law which changed this.

No. Acupuncturists are not persons “authorized to prescribe” medicines under Reg. 1591(a)(1). Bus. & Prof. Code only permits physicians, dentists, podiatrists or veterinarians to write prescriptions for medicines. Acupuncturists may only “prescribe herbs as dietary supplements” under Bus. & Prof. Code 54937.