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Forum on
Public Safety and the Use of Lasers
for Cosmetic Procedures
(Business & Professions Code
Section 2023.5)

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Department of Consumer Affairs

Hearing Room – S 102

1625 North Market Boulevard

Sacramento, CA 95834

AGENDA

9:00 a.m – 1:00 p.m.

1. Welcome - Introductions
2. Overview of Business & Professions Code Section 2023.5 and purpose of Forum
3. Review of August 30 Forum discussions
4. Testimony of interested parties, including*:
 - Representatives of the laser industry
 - Representatives of the nursing associations
 - Representatives from physician assistant organizations
 - Representatives from physician organizations
 - Consumers
 - Other interested parties

* The Committee invites comments, especially relating to the following:

- Patient safety
- Patient harm: What are the complications experienced and what are their causes?
- Training and education: Should there be additional certification or educational requirements for the use of new technology?
- Physician supervision: What minimum supervision is needed? Who must provide examination, and what is the standard of care to ensure patient safety?
- Aftercare and follow-up: Who is responsible and what is the standard of care to ensure patient safety?
- Patient referrals and aggressive advertising techniques: To what extent does illegal patient referrals and aggressive advertising play in misleading the public?
- Misrepresentation of personnel's credentials
- Other practices or issues that may mislead consumers
- Public awareness and patient expectations: Are patients aware of the risks prior to undergoing treatment? Do patients have fully informed, realistic expectations?
- Liability: Who is liable and how are patients to know?
- Technological trends and other issues related to patient safety
- Business trends that may impact patient safety
- Need for changes to current law, regulation, and enforcement

5. **Issues for discussion at Forum to be held on October 31, in San Diego**

6. **Public Comment**

7. **Adjournment**

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