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## MEMO

**Date:** July 16, 2007

**To:** Diversion Committee

**From:** Frank L. Valine  
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**Subject:** Worksite Monitor/Conflict of Interest  
Case Managers' Caseloads

The recent report by the Bureau of State Audits, concerning the Medical Board of California's Physicians Diversion Program found that the Board has made many improvements to the program since the release of the November 2005, report of the Enforcement Monitor. The report concludes, however, that there are still some areas which the program must improve in order to adequately protect the public from physicians who abuse alcohol/drugs.

In response to the auditor's findings, the Board ordered the immediate implementation and immediate review of all Worksite Monitors and the removal of any Worksite Monitor who has a conflict of interest with the physician he or she is monitoring. If a Worksite Monitor is removed, the physician must cease the practice of medicine immediately until another appropriate Worksite Monitor is in place.

During a Case Manager training on June 21, 2007, the above changes were discussed and the new policy was implemented. As of July 2, 2007, Case Managers had met with all Worksite Monitors that had conflicts and established a new Worksite Monitor that met the new policy. Each Case Manager met with the new Worksite Monitor and had them sign the new Worksite Monitor Agreements. The Case Managers are in the process of contacting the remaining Worksite/Hospital Monitors and will be having them sign the new Worksite Monitor Agreements. This will be completed by July 25, 2007.

Northern California Case Load Size:

Fayne Boyd	2
Sally Smith	28
Jim Thiel	33
John Melendez	25

Southern California Case Load Size:

Paul Booth	9
Ann Glassmoyer	37
Ramona Drake	47
Bernard Karmatz	42