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Medical Board of the State of California 2005 Evergreen Street, Suite 1200 Sacramento, CA 95815-5401

RE: <u>Update from the Attorney General's Office</u> <u>May 7, 2020 Board Meeting</u>

Dear Board Members:

The Health Quality Enforcement Section team has been teleworking seamlessly with no changes to the quality-driven dedication we assign to your critically important public protection work.

We are handling all incoming legal transmittals, providing you with legal advice, negotiating settlements with the Chief of Enforcement Jenna Jones, and producing all work as we did prior to COVID-19. We have been working closely with the Office of Administrative Hearings and appearing by telephone or videoconferencing with the goal to professionally present your evidence and zealously represent you. We have appeared on your behalf in Interim Suspension Orders, Petitions for Reinstatement, Petitions for Modification of Probation/Penalty Relief and Penal Code section 23 bail hearings during this time. We continue to represent you statewide in civil litigation matters. We are also continuing to work collaboratively with members of Medical Board staff and investigators to process work.

As always, it is an honor and privilege to serve you, especially in light of the critical importance that your licensees bring to our developing public health concerns.

Sincerely,

/s/

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