

About the Speaker



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About the Center for Public Interest Law

Improving Dialogue & Public Trust

- ▶ Transparency:
 - limitations and potential for reform
- ▶ Maximizing Public Comment
- ▶ Board Meetings



**“A lack of transparency
results in distrust and a
deep sense of insecurity.”**

~The Dalai Lama

Transparency

Statutory
Requirements

Board Administrative
Policies

Legislative Level



Statutory Disclosures
Bus. & Prof. Code § 2027

Probation Disclosure
SB 1448 (Hill) (2018)

Conflict of Interest Disclosure
AB 1278 (Nazarian)

Sunset Review

Board Level

Public Comment



Webcasting

NEW Medical Board
of California App



Maximizing Public Comment

**Stories are
Powerful**

Solutions

Time limits

**Board
Limitations**

Recommendations to Board

**Detailed
Minutes**

**Regular
Meetings with
Public**

**Dedicated Time
on Agenda**

**Identify Themes
and Propose
Solutions**