CALIFORNIA UPDATE

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Welcome to America's Physician Groups' *California Update*. Each week APG reports the latest on health care happenings in the Golden State.

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OHCA Enforcement Regulations: Join APG At The October 29 Board Meeting

Following last week's California Update article on OHCA's proposed spending target enforcement regulations, APG urges members to participate virtually in the **Health Care Affordability Board meeting on Thursday, October 29, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Pacific**. The agenda includes an overview of the progressive enforcement regulations, spending target performance measurement, and feedback from the Advisory Committee. **Join the virtual meeting here**. The meeting webpage also provides the agenda and telephone access information.

APG will offer comments to the Board during the meeting. Our central concern remains that accountability must follow authority. Spending growth alone does not explain what caused an increase or whether a physician organization had the contractual authority and practical ability to control it. An effective enforcement framework must account for California's delegated care arrangements, validate the spending attributed to physician organizations, and provide a fair opportunity to review and challenge the evidence underlying an enforcement determination.

Members' public input is welcome and important. Your operational experience can help the Board understand how the proposed framework would affect care delivery, financial risk arrangements, and investments in population health. Concrete examples of spending pressures outside your organization's control, attribution problems, or the resources required to respond to an enforcement determination can make these issues tangible for policymakers.

Please log on, hear the discussion, and consider offering public comment. The agenda asks speakers to limit their remarks to **two minutes**, subject to adjustment based on available time and the number of commenters. Written comments may also be submitted to ohca@hcai.ca.gov. For the greatest impact, written comments should be submitted 4 business days prior to the meeting. Your participation will reinforce the importance of developing an enforcement process that supports physician organizations' work to improve quality and affordability.

2026 APG California Policy & Advocacy Meeting Dates
*Members, please mark your calendars for APG's California Policy Forum and California Medi-Cal Forum meetings. You can download APG's 2026 events calendar **here**.*

California Policy Forum
2:00 - 3:00 pm

- December 3

California Medi- Cal Forum
4:00 - 5:00 pm

- November 10 - ***Register***
- December 8

APG California Advocacy Member Resources

- 2025 Legislative Implementation Guide
- **Tracked Health Care** Bills 2025-26: bills we're following in the California State Legislature

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