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Dear Dr. Carome and Dr. Wolfe,

Thank you for the August 3, 2012 letter regarding physicians and LipoTron devices.

I have forwarded the information regarding the one physician you identified to our enforcement section complaint unit. You mention other physicians in your letter, but do not name these physicians. If you have additional names of physicians licensed in California who are using these devices and harming patients, please provide those names to me so we may initiate a complaint. There is a specific process we follow in the examination of complaints and investigations. If the investigation leads to confirmation of a violation of the Medical Practice Act, we will institute appropriate action.

Regarding the use of LipoTron devices, that too will be researched and appropriate information provided to our physicians and the public on our Web site and possibly in the quarterly newsletter.

I appreciate being provided this information. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (916) 263-2389 or via e-mail at linda.whitney@mbc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Linda K. Whitney
Executive Director