

February 13, 2018

Supreme Court of California  
350 McAllister Street  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4797

**RE: Sutter Solano Medical Center v WCAB and Belinda Go**  
**First District Court Case No.: A152814**  
**WCAB Case No.: ADJ10168011**

Honorable Supreme Court Justices:

The California Coalition on Workers' Compensation (CCWC) is a non-profit education and advocacy association representing California employers. The CCWC membership consists exclusively of California employers, both large and small, and includes corporations, non-profit entities, trade associations, and public entities. CCWC serves its memberships by directly advocating on their behalf in front of the California State Legislature, as well as administrative agencies that regulate the workers' compensation system. CCWC is a recognized leader in workers' compensation advocacy in California, and has a long history of working toward a reasonable workers' compensation system that provides timely benefits to injured workers while maintaining a fair and affordable system for employers. CCWC is interested in administrative, statutory, and judicial matters that substantively effect the California Workers' Compensation System.

We understand that Sutter Solano Medical Center has submitted a petition of the above referenced matter. We support their efforts for the reasons stated below.

We believe that the aforementioned case meets the criteria for your review as it addresses significant changes in law and that the results are inconsistent with the legislative intent in utilizing Evidenced Based Medicine to determine the appropriateness of treatment.

Further, we believe that the opinion of the WCAB results in negating the effects of the use of evidenced based medicine, utilization review and Independent Medical Review, by permitting an injured worker to ignore and then benefit from the decision to ignore these safeguards, whether to their detriment or not.

We support the efforts of Sutter Solano Medical Center in seeking to rectify the WCAB's interpretation of the statutes and the deleterious effects that this case is bound to have on the Worker's Compensation system and we encourage you to hear this matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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California Coalition on Workers' Compensation