



Medical Practice Act: Business and Professions Code Section 2023 Study and Evaluation: Use of Laser or Intense Light Pulse Devices **Effective January 1, 2007**

Effective January 1, 2007 SB 1423 (Figueroa) Chapter 873, is an act to add Section 2023 to the Business and Professions Code, Medical Practice Act.

Medical Board of California, in conjunction with the Board of Registered Nursing, and in conjunction with the Physician Assistant Committee and professionals in the field to evaluate and study issues surrounding the use of laser or intense light pulse devices for elective cosmetic procedures by health care practitioners. The evaluation and study shall include, but is not limited to, all of the following:

- (1) The appropriate level of physician supervision needed.
- (2) The appropriate level of training to ensure competency.
- (3) Guidelines for standardized procedures and protocols that address, at a minimum, all of the following:
 - (A) Patient Selection.
 - (B) Patient education, instruction, and informed consent.
 - (C) Use of topical agents.
 - (D) Procedures to be followed in the event of foreseeable complications or side effects from the treatment.
 - (E) Procedures governing emergency and urgent care situations.
- (4) Who should be authorized to purchase and own laser equipment.

(b) On or before January 1, 2009, the Medical Board and the board of Registered Nursing shall promulgate regulations to implement changes determined to be necessary as a result of the evaluation and study.