



DAVE JONES
Insurance Commissioner

July 30, 2015

The Honorable Dean D. Flippo
Monterey County District Attorney's Office
230 Church Street, Building # 2
Salinas, CA 93901

RE: FY 2015/16 Disability and Healthcare Grant Award

Dear District Attorney Flippo:

Thank you for Monterey County's application for the Fiscal Year 2015/16 Disability and Healthcare Insurance Fraud Program. I am pleased to inform you that Monterey County has been awarded **\$200,000** to be used for the investigation and prosecution of disability and healthcare insurance fraud.

For Fiscal year 2015/16, the total available funding for local assistance was appropriated at \$5,104,000. The appropriation is based on projected revenues, including the amount of restitution collected. The grant disbursements are contingent on actual revenues; therefore, if the amount of revenue collected is less than the projected amount, grant disbursements to counties will be adjusted accordingly.

Disability and healthcare insurance fraud is committed by individuals, medical providers, corporations, medical equipment dealers, hospitals, laboratories, nursing homes, pharmacies, and others who prey upon the system. Unfortunately, consumers pay the price for disability and healthcare fraud by paying higher insurance premiums and increased costs for medical services.

I am looking forward to continued work with the Monterey County District Attorney's Office. Together we can make a significant impact in the fight against disability and healthcare insurance fraud in California.

If you have any questions, please contact Lori Namba, Senior Manager, Enforcement Branch Headquarters at (916) 854-5791 or Lori.Namba@insurance.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dave Jones".

DAVE JONES
Insurance Commissioner

cc: Edward Hazel, Managing Deputy District Attorney