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a multi-disciplinary medical practice specializing in occupational illness and injury, disability evaluation and forensic medicine

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Scheduling Tips

The last thing any medical legal evaluator wants to do is complicate the referral's already challenging task of scheduling AME/QME appointments. In a medical group such as NMG, we strive to strike a delicate balance of an adequate number of appointments in each medical specialty. We are also mindful of our reputation and commitment to hiring and mentoring the "best and the brightest" to provide the referral community with the highest quality medical-legal reporting and testimony, and accordingly are very selective about adding clinicians to our staff.

I am happy to tell you that NMG has now expanded our appointment capacity for orthopedic AMEs, arguably the specialty most in demand in the Workers' Compensation arena. Many of you may already know **Dr. William H. Ramsey**, an outstanding Orthopedic AME who has been a part-time associate with NMG for several years. Effective March 1, 2007, Dr. Ramsey has expanded his association with NMG to a full-time basis. Consequently, additional appointments are available with Dr. Ramsey at NMG's Santa Rosa office, as well as in Sacramento and Oakland. We are thrilled to have a seasoned evaluator such as Dr. Ramsey join us on a full-time basis.

The second bit of good news is that effective April 1, 2007, **Dr. John H. Devor**, who has practiced Orthopedics for many years in Lafayette, CA, will be joining NMG, also on a full-time basis. We are currently booking appointments with Dr. Devor in Oakland, Sacramento, Santa Rosa and San Jose. We welcome Dr. Devor to NMG's **AME Mentor Program** "Class of 2007". Many of you know of the success of this program by the work of "Class of 2006" members, Dr. Jacquelyn Weiss (Neurology), Dr. Nicole Chitnis (Physiatry), Dr. Robert Murphy (Orthopedics) and Dr. Joshua Kirz, (Pain Psychology). We know that Dr. Devor will be successful in fulfilling your needs for orthopedic AME evaluations. Don't wait to schedule, as we expect Dr. Devor's appointment calendar to fill rapidly.

As a reminder of these two additions to our staff, you may click on this link to see the announcement card that you will soon be receiving as an enclosure to your reports. And I will be back to you soon with news of another outstanding addition to our staff of Mental Health clinicians. Your needs are our mission!

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