Health Officer Order Rescinded
Medical Practice May Open in Santa Barbara County

Santa Barbara County Health Officer, Charity Dean, MD, MPH, has rescinded the Health Officer Order closing the medical office of Dr. Allen Thomashefsky. This action follows a number of measures that have been implemented to assure infection control practices are maintained at the medical office.

The Health Officer Order closing the medical office was implemented on March 19, 2015, after an inquiry revealed that the Hepatitis C virus may have been transmitted between patients and that appropriate and standard infection control precautions were not being practiced. Since that time, a number of key actions have been taken by Dr. Thomashefsky including adopting a detailed and extensive Infection Control Manual, hiring a consultant who will be monitoring infection control practices on an ongoing basis, and local monitoring by Public Health officials.

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