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Division of Workers' Compensation Announces the Appointment of Dr. Raymond Meister as Executive Medical Director

The Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) and the Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) today announced the appointment of Dr. Raymond Meister to the position of executive medical director for DWC.

"The medical unit is central to DWC's mission to minimize the adverse impact of work-related injuries on California's employees and employers," said DWC Acting Administrative Director George Parisotto. "Under Dr. Meister's leadership DWC will be able to provide quality care to injured workers and ensure the workers' compensation system works for everyone."

The executive medical director manages all medical and health-related programs in the DWC, and will provide policy guidance for the division and develop education and training for treating physicians. In addition, the medical director oversees provider networks and research plans related to medical care, and represents DWC on matters related to medical and health issues in workers' compensation.

Dr. Meister has served as associate medical director for DWC since 2014. Prior to joining DWC, Dr. Meister served as public health medical officer at the California Department of Public Health from 2000 to 2014.

Dr. Meister earned a Master of Public Health degree from the University of California, Berkeley School of Public Health and a Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of Southern California School of Medicine. He has been an associate clinical professor at the University of California, San Francisco since 2009.

This position does not require Senate confirmation.

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