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STATE AND NATIONAL NEWS

Red Flag Rule delayed until August 1

The Federal Trade Commission has delayed enforcement of its controversial Red Flag Rule until August 1. The rule, originally scheduled to go into effect on May 1, requires "creditors," including many physicians, to develop and implement identity theft detection and prevention programs.

The delay will give creditors and financial institutions more time to develop and implement written identity theft prevention programs.

For details about the new rule, download CMA's Red Flag Rule Toolkit at cmanet.org.

The toolkit, available FREE to SCMA and CMA members only, is intended to help physicians and their staff understand the scope and requirements of the Red Flag Rule. Also included are recommended steps to consider when designing and implementing an appropriate identity theft detection and prevention program.

Questions about the Red Flag Rule can be addressed to Samantha Pellon at 916-551-2872 or spellon@cmanet.org.

ABOUT SCMA

The Sonoma County Medical Association, a 501(c)(6) nonprofit association, supports local physicians and their efforts to enhance the health of the community. Founded in 1858, SCMA is affiliated with the California Medical Association and the American Medical Association.

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