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## Victims of former USC gynecologist appear on TODAY to describe how complaints went unheard

SB 1448 will protect Californians from sexual predators in medicine

**SACRAMENTO** (**June 14, 2018**) – Hundreds of women have alleged they were sexually abused by former University of Southern California gynecologist George Tyndall over the past 30 years. Five of those women, represented by Consumer Attorneys of California member John Manly, appeared on NBC's TODAY Show Thursday to describe what happened to them and how USC ignored their complaints. Watch the TODAY segment <a href="here">here</a>.



The Medical Board of California says it is actively investigating claims of sexual misconduct by Tyndall, but as of now **Tyndall is still able to practice medicine**.

**Senate Bill 1448** by Sen. Jerry Hill (D-San Mateo) will require doctors placed on probation for certain serious offenses, including sexual misconduct with a patient, after July 1, 2019, to notify their patients about their probationary status prior to the patient's first visit.

Although California requires physicians who are placed on probation to inform their insurance companies and the hospitals and clinics where they practice, they don't have to tell the people at greatest risk – their patients. That needs to change.

SB 1448 will be heard in the Assembly Business and Professions Committee Tuesday, June 19, at 9 a.m. in Room 4202 at the State Capitol.

Consumer Attorneys of California is a professional organization of plaintiffs' attorneys representing consumers seeking accountability against wrongdoers in cases involving personal injury, product liability, environmental degradation and other causes.

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