Governor Schwarzenegger appoints Dr. Carmen Puliafito, M.D. to the CA University Research Hospital and Med School seat on the ICOC filling the seat vacated by Dr. Brian Henderson, M.D.

Carmen Puliafito, M.D., 57, of Pasadena, has been appointed to the Independent Citizens Oversight Committee. Since 2007, he has served as the dean of medicine at the University of Southern California Keck School of Medicine and professor of ophthalmology and health management at the Doheny Eye Institute. Prior to that, Puliafito was the director of the Bascom Palmer Eye Institute and was the chairman of the Department of Ophthalmology at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine from 2001 to 2007. He worked at Tufts University School of Medicine where he served as a professor of ophthalmology and health management from 1997 to 2001 and served as a professor and chair of the department of ophthalmology and an adjunct professor of electrical engineering and computer science from 1991 to 2001. From 1989 to 1991, Puliafito worked as an associate professor of ophthalmology at Harvard Medical School and was an associate professor in the health sciences technology division at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. From 1987 to 1989, he served as an assistant professor in the health sciences technology division at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Previously, Puliafito worked for Harvard Medical School as an assistant professor of ophthalmology from 1986 to 1989, instructor in ophthalmology from 1984 to 1986 and as a clinical assistant in ophthalmology from 1983 to 1984. He is a member of the California Medical Association, American Association of Ophthalmology and Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology. This position does not require Senate confirmation and the compensation is $100 per diem.