



May 21, 2026

Quarterly Board Meeting

Division of Investigation, Health Quality Investigation Unit

Update to the Medical Board of California

HQIU currently has 17 Investigator vacancies, representing a 20% vacancy rate. Ten candidates are in the background process, and one candidate has just completed the process and is now negotiating a start date. To accelerate hiring, HQIU continues to screen new applications on a 30-day cycle for each office with vacancies.

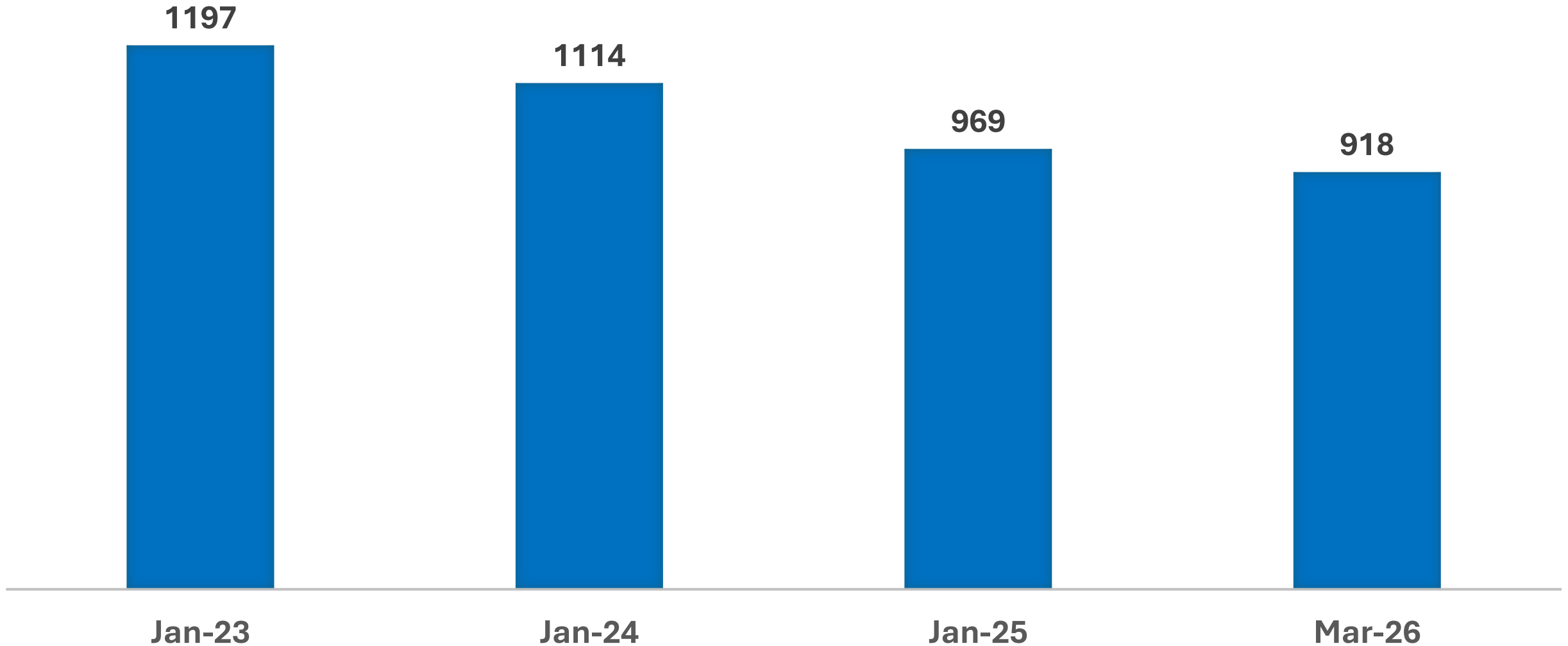
On February 26th and 27th, the Division's Training Unit Supervising Investigator attended the FSMB Trauma-Informed Regulation Training in New Orleans. The course provided valuable insights on boundaries, the neurobiology of trauma, and strategies for interviewing and investigations. As part of the Enforcement Collaboration Model, we will be working with the Attorney General's Office to review and enhance our processes and existing training related to sexual misconduct investigations. We are grateful to Executive Director Varghese for supporting our participation in this meaningful training.

We remain extremely encouraged by the progress of the Enforcement Collaboration Model with the Board and the AGO. HQIU staff continue to see a positive impact on communication, coordination, and shared problem-solving as we work toward our common goal of consumer protection.

HQIU has also made measurable progress in reducing its pending caseload on cases over one year old. This improvement is reflected in the updated graph included in Board Item 7B.

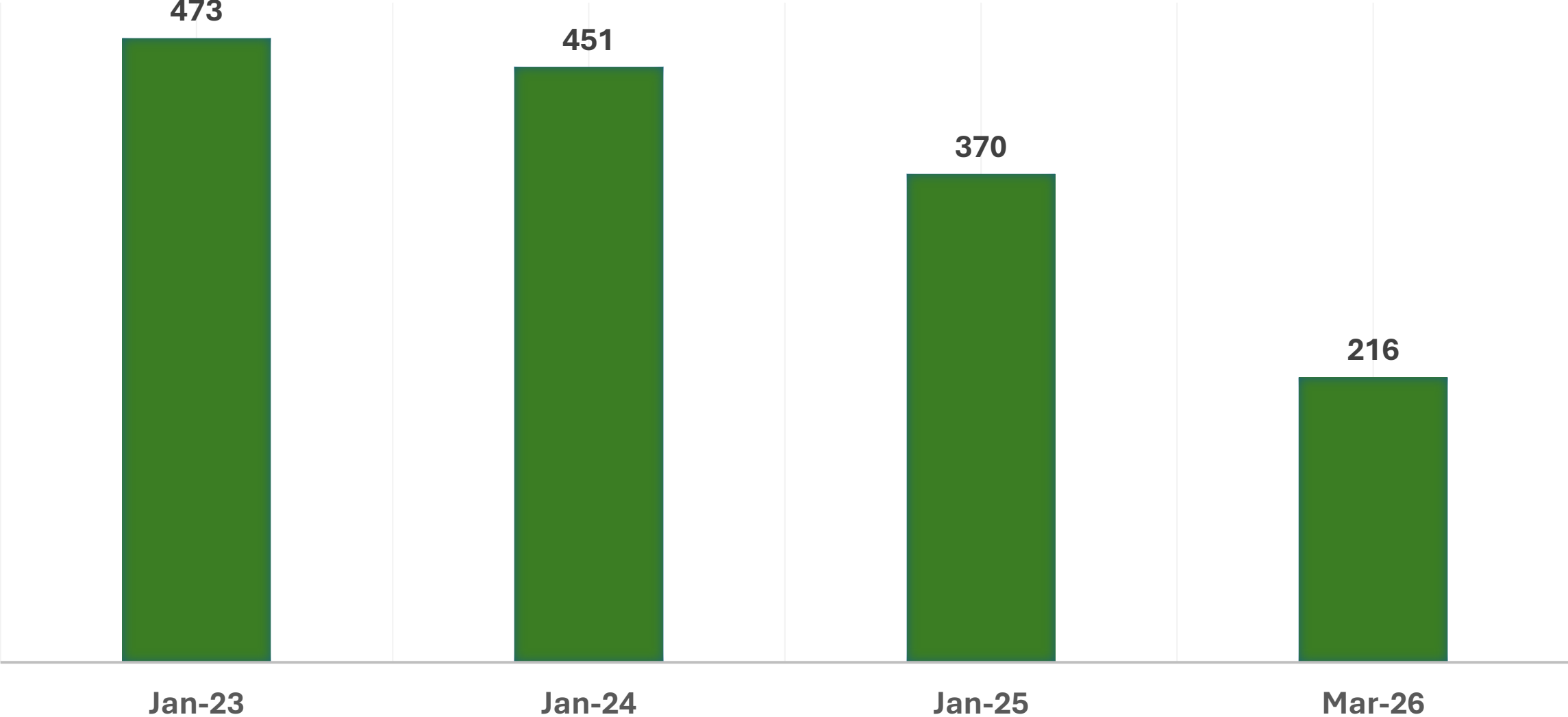
We continue to hold regular meetings with Board staff and provide automated monthly reports with case status updates. We look forward to continuing this productive collaboration.

Pending Investigations JAN 2023 - MAR 2026



Note - The counts shown are for MBC cases only.

MBC Investigations Over 365 Days JAN 2023 - MAR 2026



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