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◆ California physician Donald Woo Lee was found guilty Oct. 17 for his role in providing medically unnecessary procedures to Medicare beneficiaries, upcoding, and repackaging single-use catheters for re-use, the Department of Justice (DOJ) and the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Central District of California said. Between 2012 and 2015, Lee recruited patients to his clinics, gave them false diagnoses of venous insufficiency, performed unnecessary vein ablation and used the wrong code to bill for them. Lee also re-used contaminated catheters. DOJ said he received \$4.5 million from Medicare for the vein ablation procedures. He was convicted by a jury of seven counts of health care fraud and one count of adulteration of a medical device. Visit <http://bit.ly/32tZ77M>.

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