

# ***CDME Review Newsletter***

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**Spring 2008** – Fraudulent Commercial Driver's License Scheme

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### **Handicap Parking**

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### **HOW WOULD YOU HANDLE THIS?**

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**Psychiatric Disorders**

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**Renal Conditions**

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**Summer 2008** – Review of OSA Study Published in March 2008 JOEM

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**Surveys**

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**Visual Conditions**

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