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**NOTICE OF OPEN PUBLIC MEETING**

The Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP), Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee, will conduct a public meeting on **March 27, 2008**, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** at the following location:

**Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce  
6671 Las Vegas Blvd. S., Suite 300  
Las Vegas, NV**

Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate physically challenged persons desiring to attend the meeting. Please call Rita Mackie at: 775-684-3681 or email [rmackie@dhecp.nv.gov](mailto:rmackie@dhecp.nv.gov) in advance, but no later than two working days prior to the meeting, so that arrangements may be conveniently made.

**Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. Unless otherwise noted, items may be taken out of order at the discretion of the Chairperson.**

**Public comment may be limited to 5 minutes per person or per company/product at the discretion of the Chairperson.**

**AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call - Chairperson
- II. \*Review and Approval of December 13, 2007, Meeting Minutes
- III. Division of Health Care Financing and Policy Report
- IV. Growth Hormone Review
  - A. Public Comment
  - B. Drug Class Review Presentation – First Health Services
  - C. \*Committee Discussion and Action
    1. Approve Clinical/Therapeutic Equivalency of Agents in Class
    2. Identify Exclusions/Exceptions for Certain Patient Groups
  - D. Presentation of Recommendations for Preferred Drug List (PDL) Inclusion by First Health Services and the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy
  - E. \*Committee Discussion and Approval of Drugs for Inclusion in the PDL
- V. Erythropoiesis Stimulating Proteins Review
  - A. Public Comment
  - B. Drug Class Review Presentation – First Health Services
  - C. \*Committee Discussion and Action
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- VI. Beta Blockers Review
  - A. Public Comment
  - B. Drug Class Review Presentation – First Health Services
  - C. \*Committee Discussion and Action
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    - 2. Identify Exclusions/Exceptions for Certain Patient Groups
  - D. Presentation of Recommendations for Preferred Drug List (PDL) Inclusion by First Health Services and the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy
  - E. \*Committee Discussion and Approval of Drugs for Inclusion in the PDL
- VII. Antidepressants (other than SSRIs) Review
  - A. Public Comment
  - B. Drug Class Review Presentation – First Health Services
  - C. \*Committee Discussion and Action
    - 1. Approve Clinical/Therapeutic Equivalency of Agents in Class
    - 2. Identify Exclusions/Exceptions for Certain Patient Groups
  - D. Presentation of Recommendations for Preferred Drug List (PDL) Inclusion by First Health Services and the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy
  - E. \*Committee Discussion and Approval of Drugs for Inclusion in the PDL
- VIII. Presentation by FHSC on Dr. Manthei’s Request to Consider Creation of a New Drug Class for Agents Used to Treat Macular Degeneration
- IX. Report by FHSC on Brand Name Preferred Drugs Converted to Generic Status and Line Extensions
- X. Report by FHSC on Annual PDL Review Process Scheduled for the June 26, 2008 Meeting
- XI. Review of Next Meeting Date and Location: June 26, 2008 – Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce
- XII. Public Comment
- XIII. \*Adjournment

**\* Denotes items, including subparts, on which an action may be taken.**

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**If requested in writing, a copy of the action items will be mailed to you or they may be reviewed Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., or at the meeting. Please call at least one day ahead for an appointment for document review. Written comments on the proposed changes may be sent to the DHCFP, 1100 E. William Street, Suite 101, Carson City, NV 89701.**

**All persons that have requested in writing to receive the Open Meeting Agenda have been duly notified by mail or e-mail.**

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