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NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Division of Public and Behavioral Health will hold a public workshop to consider amendments to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 439, LCB File No R121-20.

The workshop is scheduled for February 25th at 10 a.m. (PST) and can be accessed at the following link:

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75004776885?pwd=7zrSUwkiJF8C6IrLzE2 XZoEoY8gRv.1

Meeting ID: 750 0477 6885

Passcode: yz1V6q

Or dial by your location:

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These workshops will be conducted in accordance with NRS 241.020, Nevada's Open Meeting Law.

<u>Agenda:</u>

- 1. Introduction of workshop process
- 2. Public comment on proposed amendments to Nevada Administrative Code Chapter 439
- 3. Public Comment

The proposed changes will revise Chapter 439 of the Nevada Administrative Code, LCB File No R121-20.

Summary of Amendments:

- Updated terms and definitions in Section 2 for Department, Director, Manufacturer, Pharmacy, Wholesaler and Pharmacy benefit manager
- Added terminology to include the appointing of three (3) permanent employees to act as hearing
 officers. These hearing officers will perform this function in addition to their regular duties. Once a
 request for an appeal to be heard has been received, the Director will assign the appeal to the next

hearing officer unless there is a conflict of interest, or they are otherwise disqualified from hearing the appeal

- Included the requirement to notify the entity of the proposed penalty in writing, at least 15 days prior
 to the effective date of the imposition of the penalty. This notice will include statutory and regulatory
 authority for the penalty, the facts on which the penalty is based, circumstances the Department
 considered in taking the penalty, instructions for responding to the notice and the effective date of the
 penalty. This notice will be sent to the last known mailing address and email address of the entity
- Section 5 now includes wording on the process when appealing a proposed fine
- Section 6 includes wording for the hearing process
- Section 7 includes wording for the decision after the hearing process

Members of the public may make oral comments at this meeting. Persons wishing to submit written testimony or documentary evidence may submit the material to the Drug Transparency program at the following email address: drugtransparency@dhhs.nv.gov

Members of the public who require special accommodations or assistance at the workshops are required to notify the Drug Transparency Program in writing to drugtransparency@dhhs.nv.gov at least five (5) working days prior to the date of the public workshop.

Written comments, testimony, or documentary evidence in excess of two typed pages will not be accepted at the time of the hearing. The purpose of this requirement is to allow for adequate time to review the documents.

Agenda Posting Locations:

A copy of the regulations and small business impact statement can be found on the Drug Transparency web page: http://dhhs.nv.gov/HCPWD/DRUG TRANSPARENCY/

A copy of the public workshop notice can also be found at Nevada Legislature's web page: https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/Notice/A/

Copies may be obtained by email, or by calling the Division of Public and Behavioral Health at (775) 684-4255 in Carson City or emailing drugtransparency@dhhs.nv.gov

Per NRS 233B.064(2), upon adoption of any regulations, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either prior to adoption or within 30 days thereafter, shall issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption, and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption.