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HOSPITAL ADVISORY COMMISSION

Public Hearing Announcement

The Commission's second public hearing will be held:

December 16, 2002
4 p.m. – 7 p.m.

At:
The Vandenburg Room
The Michigan League
The University of Michigan
911 N. University
Ann Arbor, MI 48109

Please see the attached for other valuable information on the scope of the Commission and the process by which to testify.

Should you have any questions contact:

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HOSPITAL ADVISORY COMMISSION Public Hearing Information/Dates

The Hospital Advisory Commission, created by Governor Engler with Executive Order 2002-15, will be holding several public hearings around the state to gather input on issues relating to the provision of health care in Michigan's hospitals and health systems.

"The Commission is advisory in nature and shall act as a statewide advisory body to assist the Director of the Department in assuring hospital access to health care for the uninsured, underinsured and the Medicaid population (EO 2002-15)."

The Commission is interested in testimony pertaining to the following areas:

Funding Issues

How can the state best develop a partnership between the state and its hospitals to maximize federal funding opportunities for health care?

Are there ways to secure additional funds for statewide programs, including mechanisms to increase Michigan's share of federal Medicaid funds.

What are the effects of Medicare funding on hospitals and the relationship of this funding to the Medicaid program?

Medical Safety and Security Issues

What mechanisms exist to increase patient safety and reduce medical errors for hospital patients?

What are the effects of rising medical malpractice premiums in the health care industry? What are some mechanisms that could be used to reduce hospital and health care system costs and liability?

How can hospitals and health systems partner with the state in effective wellness and prevention programs?

Mechanisms to promote hiring and retention of nurses and other health personnel considered in short supply.

The Future of Health Care

What is the basis for increased utilization trends for hospital services? What could be done to reduce inappropriate utilization of resources?

How can hospitals more easily connect/partner with the Life Sciences Corridor?

Develop mechanisms to partner with the state to reduce pharmaceutical expenses.

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The following are dates and locations for the public hearings:

Lansing

November 20, 2002
4 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Clark Conference Center
Sparrow Hospital – St. Lawrence Campus
Outpatient Building
1210 W. Saginaw
Lansing, MI 48915

Pontiac

March
Location - TBD
Address
Pontiac, MI

Ann Arbor

December 16, 2002
4 p.m. – 7 p.m.
The Vandenburg Room - UofM
911 N. University
Ann Arbor, MI 48109

Kalamazoo

April
Location - TBD
Address - TBD
Kalamazoo, MI

Grand Rapids

January
Location - TBD
Address - TBD
Grand Rapids, MI

Gaylord

May
Location – TBD
Address – TBD
Gaylord, MI

Detroit

February
Location – TBD
Address – TBD
Detroit, MI

St. Ignace

June
Location - TBD
Address - TBD
St. Ignace, MI

Hospital Advisory Commission Members:

<i>Rick Breon</i>	– Member (Spectrum Health)
<i>Joe Damore</i>	– Member (Sparrow Health System)
<i>Phil Incarnati</i>	– Member (McLaren Health Care Corporation)
<i>Ken Matzick</i>	– Member (William Beaumont Hospital)
<i>Rod Nelson</i>	– Member (Mackinac Straits Hospital and Health Center)
<i>Dr. Arthur Porter</i>	– Chairman (Detroit Medical Center)
<i>Larry Warren</i>	– Member (University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers)
<i>Don Gilmer</i>	– Member Ex-Officio (State Budget Director)
<i>James K. Haveman, Jr.</i>	– Member Ex-Officio (Department of Community Health)

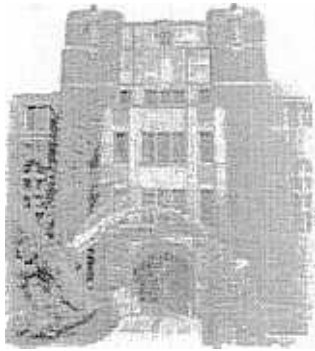
When giving oral testimony, it is necessary to provide the commission with ten copies of your presentation. The length of time allowed each presenter will depend on the number of individuals who wish to present and the discretion of the Chairman.

If you or your organization is unable to attend any of the public hearings, the Commission is accepting written testimony as well at the address or e-mail below:

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If special accommodations are needed to participate in these public hearings, please call Joe Baumann at the number above.

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From East: (including Detroit Metro Airport) Take I-94 to State Street (exit 177); take State Street north three miles to N. University; turn right onto N. University; go two blocks to Fletcher Street; turn left on Fletcher; the League is on your left.

From North: Take US-23 South to M-14 west; exit at Main Street (Exit 3); take Main Street south one mile to Huron Street; turn left onto Huron Street to Fletcher Street; turn right onto Fletcher. The League is one block south to your right.

From West: Take I-94 east; exit at State Street (exit 177); take State Street north three miles to N. University; turn right onto North University; go two blocks to Fletcher Street; turn left onto Fletcher; the League is on your left.

From South: Take US-23 north to I-94 west; exit at State Street (exit 177); take State Street north three miles to N. University; turn right onto North University; go two blocks to Fletcher Street; turn left onto Fletcher; the League is on your left.

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