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**MMCAP News, March 2009**

Dear State Contacts:

“MMCAP News” is issued monthly to provide the latest information on the MMCAP program and keep you in front of the curve on important issues that may affect your state’s facilities. If you have any questions about the following, please feel free to contact MMCAP at either 651-201-2420 or mn.multistate@state.mn.us.

NEW MANAGING DIRECTOR

MMCAP is pleased to announce it has a new Managing Director, Alan Dahlgren. Having worked at Baxter Healthcare, Alan brings significant experience from the medical and pharmaceutical supply arena and also worked at Premier, the nation’s largest GPO with \$30 billion in total contract purchasing volume and \$8 billion in pharmaceutical volume. Alan has worked with MMCAP over the past two years as a consultant on its pharmaceutical business and he is ready to lead MMCAP and is looking forward to meeting you at the annual meeting.

PHARMACEUTICAL PROGRAM**Generic Pharmaceutical RFP**

The generic pharmaceutical RFP response date has been extended to March 10, 2009. A copy is posted on the MMCAP web page under “Vendors and RFPs.”

Prime Vendor (Wholesaler)**Short List**

Reminder: By March 9th, your state should have completed the following:

- (1) Conveyed to MMCAP your state’s designated chairperson;
- (2) Processed your state’s selection committee’s NDAs (non-disclosure agreements) and forwarded them to MMCAP; and
- (3) Scheduled desired interviews with vendors that service your state – vendor designated contact information must be requested from MMCAP.

Final selections must be sent to MMCAP no later than April 7, 2009.

If you have questions about the process, please contact Almena Dees at: almena.dees@state.mn.us.

INFLUENZA VACCINE PROGRAM

Prebooking Information Available

In February, MMCAP added GSK's Fluarix to the available products for next season and Novartis Vaccines has lowered its pricing. Members should be aware that if they prebook now and a price is lowered, MMCAP will ensure the member gets the lowest contract price for all deliveries.

Awards are posted on the MMCAP web site (an access code is required).

GENERAL INFORMATION**2009 Annual Meeting**

The 2009 Annual Meeting will be held March 30-April 1, 2009, in Bloomington, Minnesota. State Contacts have been sent invitations. **The registration deadline is March 6.**

Facility Credits

Detailed information on facility-specific credits are posted on the MMCAP web site in the "State Contact Information" section under "Member News." An access code is required.

Monthly Call-In Opportunity

On Tuesday, March 10, 2009, (please note the date and time change) MMCAP will again host an hour long opportunity for members to discuss issues. The call begins promptly at 11:30 a.m. Central time

Call in instructions: ~~Dial 1-888-621-7628~~, enter pass code 40498.

↳ 1-800-621-7628

If you have questions about any of these items, please feel free to contact me or contact MMCAP at: 651-201-2420 or mn.multistate@state.mn.us

Thank you for choosing MMCAP!