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**Subject:** Important Information for the Clinical Skills Competition

Dear Clinical Skills Competition Preliminary Round (School-Level) Winner,

Congratulations on winning your school's Clinical Skills Competition (CSC)! What a tremendous accomplishment! This email contains all of the information you will need prior to your arrival onsite in Las Vegas. Given the upcoming holiday and quickly approaching competition date, you will not receive any additional correspondence from ASHP and nothing will be sent via US mail.

All of the information you will need as a national level CSC competitor can be found at:

<http://www.ashp.org/clinicalskills>

Please print out all six documents listed there as "important information for the national clinical skills competition participants." This includes individual links to:

1) Your schools assigned competition timeslot

<http://www.ashp.org/DocLibrary/AboutUs/Awards/2009-CSC-Timeslots.aspx>

2) Semi-Final round rules and regulations (pertinent to ALL competitors)

<http://www.ashp.org/DocLibrary/AboutUs/Awards/2009-CSC-Prelim-Round-Rules.aspx>

3) Final round rules and regulations (pertinent to the top 10 finalist teams)

<http://www.ashp.org/DocLibrary/AboutUs/Awards/2009-CSC-Final-Round-Rules.aspx>

4) Sample competition schedule (the timetable for CSC activities on Saturday and Sunday)

<http://www.ashp.org/DocLibrary/AboutUs/Awards/200-CSC-Sample-Schedule.aspx>

5) List of references available for use in the competition

<http://www.ashp.org/DocLibrary/AboutUs/Awards/2009-CSC-References.aspx>

6) A map of the **Venetian Conference Center**

<http://www.ashp.org/DocLibrary/AboutUs/Awards/2009-CSC-Map-.aspx>

There are 102 schools and colleges of pharmacy that are competing in the 14th Annual ASHP National Clinical Skills Competition. The ASHP Clinical Skills Competition is supported by the ASHP Research and Education Foundation. It is a two-day event to be completed in two phases:

## **Semi-Final Round - Saturday, Dec. 5**

The semi-final round consists of the written case work-up only. Each school's winning team will compete in the semi-final round, but only the 10 highest scoring teams will advance to the final round to give their oral presentations. The semi-final round is a closed competition, therefore, only the teams competing may enter the competition room.

Reference books will be provided and a link to the list of available references at the national competition is provided above. Make sure you are familiar with these references prior to coming to the competition. No other references are allowed in the competition room, however, a calculator will be provided, if needed.

The semi-final round is scheduled to take place on Saturday, December 5th from 7:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Each school's team is assigned a two-hour time slot in which to compete. Please see the above link to view your assigned time slot. You and your teammate should report to **Room 2102, Bellini, Level 2**, Venetian Conference Center on Saturday, December 5th **ONE HOUR PRIOR** to the competition time to allow for registration and review of the rules and regulations. **Be sure to allow ample time on Saturday to travel to the Venetian Hotels & Sands Expo Center from your hotel.** Please see the above link to view a map of the Venetian Conference Center.

The top ten finalist teams will be announced during the Student Programming on Sunday, December 6th between 8:00 - 9:20 a.m. in 3201A, Murano, Level 3, Venetian Conference Center. Please attend this session to find out if you have advanced to the final round. At that time, the top ten teams will be given directions on where to report, to begin the final round.

Convention shuttle service (busing) will not begin until Sunday, so please arrange for your own transportation (taxi, etc.) to the competition site. **Also please be advised that the Las Vegas Marathon is scheduled to begin on Sunday at 6:00 a.m. and may impact your travel time/route to the Student Programming, which starts promptly at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday.**

Again, congratulations, and we look forward to seeing you in Las Vegas!

Best Regards,

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