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Subject: Important Information for the Clinical Skills Competition

Dear CSC Preliminary Round (School-Level) Winner,

Congratulations on winning your school's Clinical Skills Competition! What a tremendous accomplishment! This email reflects all of the information you will need prior to your arrival onsite in New Orleans. You will not receive any additional correspondence from ASHP, and nothing will be sent via U.S. mail before the competition. Please feel free to contact me at students@ashp.org with any questions.

All of the information you will need as a national-level CSC competitor is posted at: <http://www.ashp.org/clinicalsills> . Please print out this message as well as the six documents you will find on the web page under "Important Information for the 2011 ASHP National Clinical Skills Competition Participants." A list of these documents is shown below:

- 1) **Assigned Time Slots for Competing Teams**
- 2) **Semi-Final Round Rules (All Participants)**
- 3) **Final Round Rules (Top Ten Finalist Teams)**
- 4) **Sample Competition Schedule for Saturday and Sunday**
- 5) **List of References Available for Use at the National Competition**
- 6) **Map of the New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center**

ASHP has a large number of complimentary Midyear Meeting registrations to process for the CSC participants, and this work will continue throughout the next few weeks. As long as you have a current ASHP membership, this process should flow very smoothly. Any student who previously paid to register for the Midyear will automatically receive a reimbursement as the complimentary registration is processed. Reimbursement will be in the same form as the payment was made. If you arrive onsite in New Orleans and have any issues at all with your meeting registration, please come to see us at the CSC registration table at the convention center on Saturday. No worries -- we will take care of it!

There are 115 schools and colleges of pharmacy that are competing in the 16th Annual ASHP National Clinical Skills Competition. The Clinical Skills Competition is sponsored by the ASHP Research and Education Foundation. It is a two-day event to be completed in two phases:

Semi-Final Round - Saturday, December 3

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 ten 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 the list of available references at the national competition will be posted on the website in the next few days. Please note that one iPod Touch device preloaded with Lexi-Complete™ with AHFS Essentials™ will be available to each team at their assigned table. 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 3rd from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Each school's team is assigned a two-hour time slot in which to compete, and we are not able to shift these assignments. Please see the schedule on the website to view your assigned time slot. You and your teammate should report to Room 254, Level 2, Convention Center on Saturday, December 3rd **45 minutes to one hour prior to your competition time slot** to allow for registration and review of the rules and regulations. Be sure to allow ample time on Saturday to travel to the Convention Center from your hotel. Please see the website to view the map of the Convention Center.

Final Round - Sunday, December 4

The Top Ten Finalist teams will be announced during the Pharmacy Student Forum Opening Session on Sunday, December 4th from 10:00 – 11:20 a.m. in Auditorium B, Mid-Level, Convention Center. You must attend this session to find out if you have advanced to the final round. At this time, the Top Ten Finalist teams will be given directions on where they are to report by 11:30 a.m. to begin the final round.

As a reminder, these teams will be sequestered in the CSC Holding Room from 11:30 a.m. until after they have completed their oral presentation. The order of competition will be determined by random draw during lunch.

Convention shuttle bus service will not begin until Sunday, so be sure to arrange for your own transportation (taxi, etc.) to the competition site from your hotel on Saturday. Learn more about the Shuttle Bus Schedule and Discounted Airport Transportation on the Midyear website at <http://www.ashp.org/Midyear2011/Travel.aspx>

Please check with your teammate to make sure he or she has received this information. Again, congratulations, and we look forward to seeing you in New Orleans!

Best regards,
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