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To: Board Members

Subject: Agenda Item VI: Automated Drug Delivery Systems (ADDS)

Attachments 1-11

Relevant Sections:

Business and Professions Code section 4186, Health and Safety Code section 1261.6 and other statutes set specific requirements for pharmacies operating ADDS devices in licensed health facilities. Among other requirements, ADDS machines must “collect, control and maintain all transaction information to accurately track the movement of drugs into and out of the system for security, accuracy and accountability.” Key provisions specify who is responsible for stocking an ADDS with medication and how restocking may be done outside the health facility.

Background:

As many ADDS devices today offer features not addressed in pharmacy law, the board decided to invite vendors to present information about technological features and how the devices are affected by existing statutes at the February 2017 board meeting. The board is interested in seeking ways to allow pharmacies to provide better quality care and service to patients while maintaining security and protecting the public from diversion of controlled substances and other prescription drugs.

The board received interest from a variety of vendors who submitted questionnaires. All vendors who submitted questionnaires were approved to present to the board.

Attachment 1 includes a summary of the vendors’ questionnaires. **Attachments 2-9 and 11** include the presenters’ questionnaires and documentation submitted. **Attachment 10** includes a questionnaire submitted by a pharmacist who is unable to attend the board meeting.

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| 1. Summary | 8. Becton Dickinson |
| 2. imgRx/MedifriendRx | 9. MedAvail Technologies, Inc. |
| 3. Cubex LLC | 10. Sandra Leigh Bardas, RPH, FCSHP
– Pharmacist Bardas is unable to attend but wanted to share her answers to the questionnaire with the board. |
| 4. AscribeRx | 11. PharMerica Corporation |
| 5. Omnicell, Inc. | |
| 6. Asters Inc. | |
| 7. ARxium Innovative Pharmacy Solutions | |

At this Meeting:

The board will have the opportunity to hear presentation from the above-mentioned vendors.