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Members:

Regulations Passed!

The Council appointed Ballot Counting Committee of the Manitoba Pharmaceutical Association reported to the Registrar the regulations were passed by the members at yesterday's vote. A total of 542 ballots were received, 464 were in favor, 39 opposed, 11 abstained and 28 were spoiled.

The member-approved regulations will be forwarded to the Minister of Health and work will continue to implement for the target date of January 1, 2014. Members must remember these regulations are not in effect right now. Now that the regulations are passed by the members, the regulations need the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council (provincial government) before coming into law. MPhA will learn the process and timelines from the Minister of Health at a meeting with MPhA scheduled for later this week. As always, we will keep the membership informed as the process continues and additional information becomes available.

Congratulations to those that worked so hard to develop, draft and attain the approval of these regulations. I am optimistic that we can bring the *December 2006 Pharmaceutical Act* and regulations into effect by January 1, 2014.

Regards,

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