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Dear Pharmacists:

URGENT UPDATE FROM PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS:

PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) will be conducting a Town Hall Meeting for all Manitoba Pharmacists regarding the Bill 41 Regulations on Wednesday, September 16, 2009 from 7:00 to 9:00 PM (CDT) at the Sam Cohen Auditorium, St. Boniface Research Centre. During the Town Hall Meeting, PwC will provide all Manitoba Pharmacists with an overview of PwC's Issue and Options Analysis regarding the Bill 41 Regulations, which is based on stakeholder consultations and research. The initial announcement regarding the Sept 16th Town Hall Meeting indicated that this Meeting would involve an open discussion regarding the Bill 41 Regulations, facilitated by PwC. Since that announcement was made, PwC and the project's Steering Committee have agreed to enhance the consultation process by adding a second Town Hall Meeting. Now that PwC will be conducting two Town Hall meetings with MPhA members, the format of the September 16 Town Hall has been changed to a presentation format and the open discussion will take place during the second Town Hall Meeting, which has not been scheduled yet. This enhanced process (i.e. the addition of a second Town Hall Meeting) will help to ensure that members have ample opportunity to review and understand PwC's Issue and Option Analysis Papers before engaging in an open discussion at a (second) Town Hall Meeting. Manitoba Pharmacists are strongly encouraged to attend the September 16th Town Hall Meeting as it will involve an "Executive Summary" presentation of PwC's analysis and recommendations to resolve the issues raised by Manitoba Pharmacists regarding the Bill 41 Regulations.

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