



**Minnesota Laboratory Licensure Coalition
Minnesota State Legislature Laboratory Advocacy Day
February 13, 2013
9:00 am – Noon**

Bethesda Hospital – Board Room (559 N Capitol Blvd, St Paul, MN 55103) & State Capitol

Parking is available in the Park Street Parking Ramp on 530 Park Street. The ramp is accessible by skyway to the hospital's first floor. The ramp is fully-automated 24 hours a day. Guests can pay with credit cards or with cash, and exact change is not required.

The Laboratory Licensure Bill is ready for action by the 2013 Minnesota Legislature! After much hard work on the bill, the Coalition has identified legislators who will be bill authors and sponsors in the House and the Senate. The lead authors are Senator John Hoffman (Anoka) and Representative Will Morgan (Burnsville)

During past sessions, the laboratory community in Minnesota developed valuable contacts with state senators and representatives in support of the licensure effort. The opposition we expect during this session will come mostly from hospitals and the Minnesota Hospital Association, who are concerned about potential financial ramifications as they also campaign against the nurse staffing ratio legislation.

We will review the message in a morning briefing and then make visits to our state senators and representatives. We need participants from districts all over the state, but especially those whose legislators are on the health committees listed at the end of this flyer.

AGENDA

- 9:00 am Welcome and introductions (Rick Panning/Kathy Hansen)
- 9:15 am 2013 Licensure legislation (Rick Panning and Kathy Hansen)
- Rationale for licensure
 - Bill specifics / changes from 2012
 - Opposition
- 10:00 am Status of bill and legislative process (Vic Moore-lobbyist)
- Bill authors in House and Senate
 - Committee process
 - Talking points with legislators
- 10:45 am Walk to state capitol to meet with legislators. Please make appointments by following the directions at the top of the next page.

If you plan to attend, please R.S.V.P. to Kathy Hansen at khansen156@gmail.com by Friday, Feb 8.

How to make an appointment with your state representative or senator:

- Go to the Web site www.leg.state.mn.us
- At the bottom of the page, see Who Represents Me?
- Enter your address in the space given
- Click on the Web page beneath the picture of your state representative or senator. The Web pages vary, but they always have the location, phone number and email address.
- **Call early** to make an appointment to see your legislator in person. If they will not be available, you may meet with their legislative assistant, or leave information at their office and follow up with a call at a later date, or make an appointment on another day if that works for you.

Health Committees

Senate		District	Home	Party	
Sheran	Kathy	19	Mankato	DFL	Chair, co-author
Wiklund	Melissa	50	Bloomington	DFL	Vice Chair, possible supporter
Benson	Michelle	31	Zimmerman	R	Ranking minority member, nonsupport
Eaton	Chris	40	Brooklyn Park	DFL	Supporter (nurse)
Hayden	Jeff	62	S. Minneapolis	DFL	supporter
Hoffman	John	36	Brooklyn Park	DFL	Chief author
Lourey	Tony	11	Mora	DFL	Co-author
Marty	John	66	Roseville	DFL	Co-author
Nelson	Carla	26	Rochester	R	nonsupport
Nienow	Sean	32	Cambridge	R	Co-author
Rosen	Julie	23	Fairmont	R	supporter
House		District	Home	Party	
Liebling	Tina	26A	Rochester	DFL	Chair, undecided
Moran	Rena	65A	St. Paul	DFL	Vice Chair, Co-author
Abeler	Jim	35A	Anoka	R	Co-author
Albright	Tony	55B	Prior Lake	R	undecided
Allen	Susan	62B	Minneapolis	DFL	Co-author
Benson	John	44B	Minnetonka	DFL	Co-author
Franson	Mary	8B	Alexandria	R	opposed
Fritz	Patti	24B	Faribault	DFL	Co-author
Gruenhagen	Glenn	18B	Glencoe	R	opposed
Huntley	Thomas	7A	Duluth	DFL	Co-author
Loeffler	Diane	60A	Minneapolis	DFL	Co-author
Mack	Tara	57A	Apple Valley	R	Ranking minority member, opposed
Morgan	Will	56B	Burnsville	DFL	Chief author
Mullery	Joe	59A	Minneapolis	DFL	undecided
Schoen	Dan	54A	Cottage Grove	R	Co-author
Schomacker	Joe	22A	Luverne	R	undecided
Ward	JoAnn	53A	Woodbury	DFL	Co-author
Zerwas	Nick	30A	Elk River	R	undecided
(vacant)		14A	St. Cloud		