

March 11, 2003

1:30 p.m.

Room 4202

INFORMATIONAL HEARING

**Prescription Drugs: Why are they so expensive ?
What can we do to control costs?**

1) **Opening Statements**

2) **The scope of the problem**

Barbara F. Adachi, *Principal & Regional Managing Director, Deloitte & Touche*

Beth Mauer, *Senior Manager, Deloitte & Touche*

Don Demoro, *Executive Director, Institute for Health and Socioeconomic Policy*

Earl Lui, *Senior Attorney, Consumers Union*

3) **Who pays the price?**

Allen Feezor, *Assistant Executive Officer, Health Benefits
California Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS)*

Stan Rosenstein, *Acting Deputy Director of Medical Care Services,
Department of Health Services*

Robert Mowers, Pharm.D. *Coordinator of Managed Care Pharmacy Services,
UC Davis Health System; President, California Society of Health-System Pharmacists*

4) **The hardships of coping with high drug costs**

Edmund Haddad, *Medicare Enrollee*

Lucille Blass, *Medicare Enrollee*

Peter Sago, *Member of AARP National Legislative Council*

Bill Powers, *Legislative Director, California Congress of Seniors*

5) **Factors driving high drug costs**

Christopher J. Badgley, *Vice President, State Government Affairs,
Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA)*

6) **Trends in drug pricing and efforts to stabilize drug costs**

Stephen Schondelmeyer, Pharm.D., Ph.D., *Chair, Department of Pharmaceutical Care &
Health Systems; Professor of Pharmaceutical Economics; University of Minnesota*