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MEDIA ADVISORY Commission on Healthcare and Hospital Funding to Meet in Tallahassee on Wednesday

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – On Wednesday August 12, Governor Scott's Commission on Healthcare and Hospital Funding will meet in Tallahassee to discuss the current rules and regulations around surgery centers in Florida in order to create better pricing and outcomes for patients.

WHAT: Meeting of the Commission on Healthcare and Hospital Funding

WHEN: Wednesday August 12 from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

WHERE: Capitol Building

Cabinet Meeting Room 400 South Monroe Street Tallahassee, FL 32399

The following attendees will be making presentations at the meeting:

Representative Jason Brodeur, Chairman of the Health and Human Services Committee

Dr. David Shapiro, MD, Red Hills Surgery Center, Tallahassee

Dr. Dean Watson, MD, Chief Medical Officer, Tallahassee Memorial Hospital

AHCA Secretary and Commission Co- Executive Director Liz Dudek will provide an update on responses to her <u>July 17 letter</u> asking all hospitals and managed care plans certify that their contractual agreements are below 120 percent of the Medicaid fee schedule, as required by law. Those that failed to certify their compliance by the requested submission date will now be subject to an <u>audit</u> by the Office of Medicaid Program Integrity.

Representative Brodeur will give an overview of Ambulatory Surgery Centers (ASCs) and a bill proposed during the 2015 legislative session on the creation of 24-hour Recovery Care Centers. Dr. Shapiro will cover the operation of an ASC while Dr. Watson will speak about hospital operations involving inpatient and outpatient surgical settings as well as the operation of an off-site emergency department.

A livestream of this meeting of the Commission on Healthcare and Hospital funding will also be available at www.thefloridachannel.org on the day of the event. For more information, please visit www.healthandhospitalcommission.com.