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James

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Crosbie

McChord

Blevins

Lane

SERVICES COMMITTEE

December 4, 2007

1:00 P.M.

A G E N D A

Smoking Bans in Hospitals - James (1-6)

Transit Buses on Local Residential Streets- Blevins (7-8)

Additional materials will be presented at the committee meeting

Items in Committee (9-11)

"Services Committee, to which should be referred matters relating to public safety, public works, urban county courts, and constitutional officers."

Council Rules & Procedures, Section 2.102(3)

LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL
Memorandum

TO: Andrea James, Councilmember
1st District

FROM: Paul Schoninger
Staff to Council

DATE: November 9, 2007

SUBJECT: Outdoor Smoking Bans-Louisville Hospitals

This memo is in response to your request for information regarding the outdoor smoking ban in Louisville area hospitals.

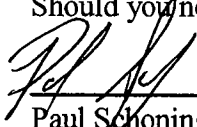
The outdoor smoking ban at Louisville hospitals is a voluntary effort led by the Norton Healthcare in conjunction with Louisville Metro Health Department. The thirty-one (31) Louisville area hospitals agreed to adopt smoke free campuses no later than January 31, 2008 although many of the facilities went smoke-free earlier this fall.

The Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations earlier this year recommended that health care facilities adopt smoke free campuses. At the same time Louisville Mayor Abramson organized a Mayor's Healthy Home Movement (MHHM). The MHHM was organized to get Louisville citizens to adopt healthy lifestyles.

The two efforts encouraged Norton to organize the other health care providers to adopt the smoke free campuses. In a press release (attached) Norton emphasized it's leadership role in addressing the many negative effects of smoking. Kentucky has the highest smoking rate in the US at 29%, which is over 35% greater than the national average of 21%.

Many of the hospitals are offering its employees smoking cessation classes, nicotine-replacement therapy products, behavior modification drugs and other means to reduce or quit smoking.

Should you need any further information please do not hesitate to contact me at 258-3208.



Paul Schoninger
Staff to Council

C: Sarah Brown

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NEWS RELEASE
For Immediate Release

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Louisville Health Care Providers Commit to Smoke-Free Campuses by January 1, 2008

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Watch how Norton Healthcare plans to execute its smoke-free initiative.

LOUISVILLE, KY. (May 11, 2007): Louisville's health care providers today committed to establishing completely smoke-free campuses by no later than Jan. 1, 2008. The smoke-free campuses will apply to all interior and exterior areas on the health care systems' nearly 140 locations, including 13 hospitals, in metro Louisville and Southern Indiana.

In a news conference held this morning, the providers announced their plans to eliminate exposure to secondhand smoke for employees, patients, family members, caregivers and guests by eliminating all exterior designated smoking areas; health care providers have maintained smoke-free interior areas since 1992. Today's announcement was made by officials of Norton Healthcare, Jewish Hospital & St. Mary's HealthCare (JHSMH), Baptist Hospital East and Baptist Hospital Northeast, University of Louisville Health Sciences Center, UofL Health Care, and Kindred Healthcare.

The smoke-free campuses/facilities will apply to the providers' hospitals, outpatient centers, medical office buildings, physician offices, urgent care centers, laboratories, classrooms, clinics, offices and other owned and leased facilities. Collectively, the providers have some 32,000 employees and volunteers, thousands of physicians and medical students, more than 2.6 million annual patient visits, and hundreds of thousands of visitors to their campuses each year.

The smoke-free campus dates announced were June 4, 2007 (Norton Healthcare); Oct. 1, 2007 (JHSMH and Baptist Hospital East); and Jan. 1, 2008 (UofL Health Care, Baptist Hospital Northeast and Kindred Healthcare). The UofL Health Sciences Center will continue to educate employees, students and visitors about its smoke-free campus policy established in 2004.

In today's announcement, the providers emphasized their leadership role in addressing the many negative effects of smoking, Kentucky's most preventable health problem. The state has the highest smoking rate in the United States at 29 percent, compared with the national average of 21 percent. The state's incidence and death rates for cancer, cardiovascular disease, respiratory disease and other cancer-related diseases far exceed the national averages. According to the U.S. Surgeon General, more than 430,000 Americans – including 8,000 Kentuckians die each year as a result of tobacco use, and secondhand smoke kills more than 50,000 nonsmokers each year.

The providers said that “the scientific evidence is very clear that there is **no safe level** of exposure to secondhand smoke. As the providers that treat the onerous health effects of smoking, we view it as our obligation and our opportunity to ensure that no one is subject to breathing secondhand smoke while visiting any of our health care campuses and facilities. We are creating a healthier environment for the hundreds of thousands of patients, employees, caregivers and visitors who come to our campuses each year. We recognize that smoking is a difficult addiction, so we are taking a leadership position to help change the longstanding culture of high tobacco use in Kentucky.”

The providers all have developed enhanced efforts to help their employees and community members quit smoking, including smoking cessation classes, nicotine-replacement therapy products, behavior modification drugs and other means. The Louisville health care organizations are part of a growing national trend for health care providers to maintain smoke-free facilities and campuses.

Norton Healthcare

For more than a century, Norton Healthcare's faith heritage has guided its mission to provide quality health care to all those served. Today, Norton Healthcare is the Louisville area's leading hospital and health care system (4.1 percent market share) and second largest private employer, and for two consecutive years has been ranked as one of the Top 25 Best Places to Work in Kentucky. The not-for-profit system – the largest in Kentucky and rated one of the top 100 integrated health care delivery systems in the country – includes four large hospitals in Louisville, eight Norton Immediate Care Centers, 9,500 employees, more than 280 employed medical providers at some 50 locations, and nearly 2,000 total physicians on its medical staff. Norton Healthcare serves the Greater Louisville metro area, including Southern Indiana, and patients throughout Kentucky.

Jewish Hospital & St. Mary's HealthCare

Jewish Hospital & St. Mary's HealthCare (JHSMH) is a regional health care network that includes 70 health care facilities and 1,900 patient beds in Kentucky and Southern Indiana. The merger of Jewish Hospital HealthCare Services and CARITAS Health Services to form JHSMH combines the strength and honors the heritages of the two organizations to provide a complete array of health care services to this region and beyond, including hospitals, outpatient care, nursing home care, occupational health, psychiatric care and rehab medicine. JHSMH provides home health care to families in 41 Kentucky and Southern Indiana counties, occupational health mobile services to 30 Kentucky counties, and employs a network of physician practices that provide both primary and specialty medical care. The organization employs more than 8,100 people.

Baptist Hospital East & Baptist Hospital Northeast

Baptist Hospital East, located in St. Matthews, has been named one of the Top 25 Best Places to Work in Kentucky and also one of the nation's 100 Top Hospitals. The hospital's wide range of health care offerings includes cancer services, with a freestanding Radiation Center and Baptist East's Cancer Resource Center. Other special services include women's health, offering all-private maternity rooms, mammography, ultrasound and bone-density scanning for osteoporosis. Area residents also benefit from the hospital's emergency services, including the Chest Pain Unit and Pediatric Emergency Care. Other areas of expertise include orthopaedics, neurosciences, vascular services, cardiovascular services, behavioral health, rehabilitation, sleep disorders, palliative care, occupational health and in-home care provided by Baptist Hospital East Home Health Agency.

Baptist Hospital Northeast is a 120-bed hospital in LaGrange, Ky. It is one of the few hospitals in the country with acute, skilled, hospice and long-term acute care in one facility. Services include emergency, general medical and surgical, women's health (all-private maternity rooms, nursery, mammography and bone density testing for osteoporosis), diagnostic imaging (MRI, multi-slice CT scans, X-ray, nuclear medicine and diagnostic ultrasound), rehabilitation services and sports medicine and ambulatory care.

University of Louisville Health Sciences Center

The University of Louisville Health Sciences Center encompasses the schools of medicine, dentistry, nursing and

public health and information sciences. The academic medical center's mission is creating the knowledge to heal through education, research and public service. Its faculty, residents, fellows and students provide leading-edge clinical care in partnership with University Hospital, the James Graham Brown Cancer Center, Jewish Hospital, St. Mary's HealthCare and Norton Healthcare. UofL has the fastest growth rate of research funding from the National Institutes of Health of any public institution in the nation. The Health Sciences Center is also home to 1 Centers and Institutes focused on basic and clinical research to improve the lives of people everywhere.

UofL Health Care

University Hospital, the James Graham Brown Cancer Center and University Physicians' Associates are all part of UofL Health Care, the region's leading academic, research, and teaching medical center. All UofL Health Care services are associated with the University of Louisville Health Sciences Center. The Brown Cancer Center is also affiliated with the Kentucky Cancer Program and the National Cancer Institute. It is the only cancer center in the region to use a unified approach to cancer care, with multidisciplinary teams of physicians working together to guide patients through diagnosis, treatment and recovery. University Hospital's Stroke Center operates as part of the Emergency Department. The Center is designated a primary stroke center by the Joint Commission — the first hospital in the state of Kentucky to have this designation, joining the ranks of more than 200 primary stroke centers nationwide.

Kindred Healthcare

Kindred Healthcare, Inc. (NYSE: KND) is a Fortune 500 health care services company, based in Louisville, with annualized revenues of \$4.3 billion that provides services in more than 500 locations in 39 states. Kindred through its subsidiaries operates long-term acute care hospitals, skilled nursing centers, institutional pharmacies and a contract rehabilitation services business, Peoplefirst Rehabilitation Services, across the United States. Kindred's 55,000 employees are committed to providing high quality patient care and outstanding customer service to become the most trusted and respected provider of health care services in every community the company serves.

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Norton Healthcare Announces June 4, 2007 as Date for Full Transition to Smoke-Free Campuses

LOUISVILLE , KY. : (February 26, 2007): Norton Healthcare officials today announced **June 4, 2007**, as the date the organization will fully transition to a smoke-free environment on each of its 50 health care campuses in Metro Louisville and Southern Indiana .

The smoke-free environment will apply to all employees, contract employees, physicians, patients and guests at all Norton Healthcare campuses and facilities, including hospitals, outpatient centers, physician offices, Norton Immediate Care Centers and other locations. The smoke-free policy will apply to all of Norton Healthcare's owned and leased facilities and will include all exterior areas, including parking garages, parking lots and other areas on Norton campuses.

Last August, Norton officials announced their intentions to transition the organization to smoke-free campuses in early 2007. Citing their role as Louisville's leading health care system, Norton officials said the organization "has an obligation to promote and protect the health of its employees, patients, family members, caregivers and guests. The hazards of breathing secondhand smoke are well known, and we believe no one should be subjected to it on any Norton Healthcare campus. A 670-page report recently released by the U.S. Surgeon General states, 'There is no risk-free level of secondhand smoke exposure. Only smoke-free environments effectively protect nonsmokers from secondhand smoke exposure.'"

Since then, teams of Norton Healthcare employees and physicians, including smokers, nonsmokers and ex-smokers, have been working to develop the appropriate smoke-free policies and procedures to ensure that the organization implements the smoke-free environment in the best and most successful manner possible. Norton Healthcare's effort is being led by Steven T. Hester, M.D., vice president, medical affairs and chair of Norton's smoke-free system steering committee.

"We recognized that smoking is a very difficult addiction, and that because of our organization's size, scope and complexity, the transition to a smoke-free environment would not be easy," said Stephen A. Williams, president & CEO. "But as a health care provider that treats smoking-related illnesses, this is clearly the right thing to do at the right time. We're also very mindful that other health care systems nationally of a similar size and complexity have made a successful smoke-free transition, and we plan to do likewise."

Through communications, campus signage and other means, Norton Healthcare is making all of its constituents aware of the June 4 smoke-free date. Norton has already developed several ways to help its employees, contract employees and physicians to quit smoking. These methods include free nicotine-replacement patches, gum or lozenges. Norton also offers free smoking cessation classes, following the successful Cooper/Clayton Method to Stop Smoking, that are available to these constituents and to all members of the general public.

Norton is also working collaboratively with the other Louisville-side health care providers to determine whether they all might transition to smoke-free environments by the end of 2007. "We think this would make a powerful statement that the Louisville health care community is very serious about eliminating exposure to secondhand smoke while constituents are in a health care setting," Williams said.

About Norton Healthcare

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Local Streets on Lextran Fixed Routes

Street Name	Type	Street Functional Class
Stanton Way	Res	local
Pennebaker Dr	Res	local
Valley Farm Dr	Res	local
Chris Dr	Res	local
Costigan Dr	Res	local
La Salle Rd	Res	local
Blueridge Dr	Res	local
Boardwalk		local
Judy Dr	Res	local
Irene Dr	Res	local
Allen Dr	Res	local
Rogers Dr	Res	local
Kent Dr	Res	local
Shandon Dr	Res	local
Gilmore Trce	Res	local
Prichard Dr	Res	local
McConnells Trce	Res	local
Trailwood Ln	Res	local
Westhampton Dr	Res	local
Capstone Dr		local
Boxwood Dr	Res	local
Oakwood Dr	Res	local
Rewood Dr	Res	local
Briarwood Dr	Res	local
Whipple Ct		local
Lima Dr	Res	local
Don Anna Dr	Res	local
Erie Rd	Res	local
Waverly Dr	Res	local
Bamberger Rd	Res	local
Deporres Ave	Res	local
Florence Ave	Res	local
Douglas Ave	Res	local
Devonport Dr	Res	local
Village Dr	Res	local
Larkspur Dr	Res	local
Springridge Dr	Res	local
Race St	Res	local
Pemberton St	Res	local
Shropshire Ave	Res	local
Sports Center Dr	UK	local
College Way	UK	local
Rookwood Pkwy	Res	local
Harrogate Rd	Res	local
Northside Dr	Res	local
Augusta Dr	Res	local
Raleigh Rd	Res	local
Jennifer Rd	Res	local

Murray Dr		local
Executive Dr	Res	local
Buena Vista Rd	Res	local
Elkhorn Rd	Res	local
Creative Dr		local
St Anne Dr	Res	local
St Michael Dr	Res	local
Alysheba Way		local
Vendor Way		local
Pavilion Way		local
Darby Creek Rd	Res	local
Bold Bidder Dr	Res	local
Canonero Dr	Res	local
Larkin Rd		local
Regency Rd		local
Mall Rd		local
Lexington Green Cir		local
Ruccio Way		local
Market Place Dr		local
Nichols Park Dr		local
Stone Crossing Ln	Res	local
Willow Oak Cir	Res	local
Laurel Oak Ln	Res	local
Mill Ridge Rd	Res	local
Cromwell Way	Res	local
Merrimac Dr	Res	local
Weber Way	Res	local
Hillside Dr	Res	local
Calevares Dr	Res	local
Palomar Centre Dr		local

Services Committee Items

Revised 10.26.2007

<u>Date</u>	<u>Councilmember</u>	<u>Issue</u>
11-20-07	Beard	Zandale Ditch
10-30-03	DeCamp	Combined Car Radio Noise, School Event Noise & Special Events Noise
10-23-07	Stevens	Speed Limit Reduction on Streets Adjacent to Christ the King Cathedral
10-2-07	Blevins	Transit Buses on Local Residential Streets
9-18-07	Moloney	Vicious Dogs
9-18-07	Moloney	Block Party Process
9-18-07	James	Smoking Ban on Hospital Premises
9-18-07	Ellinger	Alcohol Impact on Local Government
9-11-07	Blevins	Noise Ord-Special Events*
8-14-07	Stevens	Par 3 Golf Course
7-10-07	Stevens	School Event Noise*
6-5-07	Beard	Inattentive Drivers
5-22-07	Moloney	Graffiti

Other Items (cont)		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Councilmember</u>	<u>Issue</u>
5-15-07	DeCamp	News Rack Ordinance
3-13-07	Moloney	Dispatching Inter-City Buses from Terminals
2-27-07	Stinnett	Door to Door Peddlers
1-16-07	Myers	Multi-Way Stop Armstrong Mill/Crosby
1-9-07	Stinnett	Multi-Way Stop Pleasure Ridge/Plaudit
11-14-06	McChord	Traffic Light at US 27/Waveland Museum Lane
11-14-06	Moloney	Imposing Fee for Signage in ROW
10-17-06	Moloney	Restrict Parking on Cambridge Drive from Oxford Circle to Village Drive
9-12-06	Wigginton	Tie Downs on Mobile Homes in Trailer Parks
7-11-06	Moloney	Towing on Private Property
6-13-06	Stinnett	Car Radio Noise*
3-21-06	Moloney	Red Light Issues
2-14-06	Myers	US Ombudsman Association Standards for Citizen's Advocate Office
2-7-06	Gorton	Private Fire Hydrants
12-13-05	Gorton	Traffic Calming on Harvard Drive

Other Items (cont)		
Date	Councilmember	Issue
12-13-05	Gorton	No Parking Signage on Belvoir between Malabu and crest of the hill
6-21-05	Moloney	Private Swimming Pool Safety
3-12-05	Gorton	Curb Replacement Program
2-22-05	Moloney	Mini Motorcycles

* Combined noise related issues