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2012 HBPA BOOK

The 2012 book has been expanded to cover essentially all of the published and as many of the unpublished medication rules in place around the world that we could identify.

It has also been expanded to cover many of the “withdrawal time” guidelines “offered/in place” around the world.

NEW AUTHOR

These expansions of the book were made possible by the very considerable contributions of Dr. Kimberly Brewer of Wellington, FLA.

The book is now approximately 270 pages in total and is the most complete available overview of medication rules in place in the world.

THE FOREWORD

The authors are also pleased to report that the book includes a foreword by Mrs. Jane Beshear, First Lady of Kentucky and wife of Governor Steve Beshear.

Mrs. Beshear, the First Lady of Kentucky, is a long time equestrienne and, in her own words “*an equine enthusiast*” and we are all honored to have her contribute a foreword to the book.

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It may well be timely that this book has been expanded to cover world rules.

As this book approached completion the RMTC/ARCI has revisited the matter of developing thresholds/withdrawal time guidelines for the AAEP/RMTC list of 50 plus therapeutic medications.

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Based on a meeting last Monday in Baltimore, MD, it seems likely that the New AAEP/RMTC approach will be to:

- 1/ Eliminate a number of therapeutic medications from the AAEP/RMTC list.
- 2/ Reduce the amount of experimental data required for a threshold/withdrawal time determination.

IMPORTANCE

Given these forthcoming changes, I think it will be very helpful going forward to have a very established record of the medication rules/thresholds in place or projected in early 2012, just before the proposed changes in change in regulatory direction by RMTTC/ARCI.

THANK YOU

We owe a particular thank you to the First Lady of Kentucky, Mrs. Jane Beshear, for writing an outstanding foreword to the book and also a very warm thank you to our publisher, Mr. Charlie Hughes of Wind Publications in whose very capable hands publication of this volume rests, to Ms. Laura Plato and the National HBPA office who contributed majorly and to Dr. Barker who read the proof draft of the whole book.

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