INFORMATION

- Physicians and Nurses are reminded that Pharmacy stocks <u>only</u> the 2 gram vial of UNIPEN (Nafcillin Sodium). Package literature states that to reconstitute, add 6.8 ml. of Sterile water for Injection. This will provide 8ml. of solution at a concentration of 250mg.per ml.
- 2. There has been some confusion in the differences between an elixir, solution and syrup. An elixir is a hydroalcoholic solution (containing water and alcohol) such as Elixir Terpin Hydrate and Codeine. A solution is amentirely aqueous solution such as Potassium Chloride solution. A syrup is a solution of sugar in water or other aqueous liquid, such as ROBITUSSIN or 2/G Cough syrups.
- 3. Certain ophthalmic solutions are being dispensed under several trade names as follows:

Artificial tears - ISOPTO - PLAIN (Alcon Labs.); TEARISOL (Tilden Yates)

Hyoscine (Scopolamine) - ISOPTO -HYOSCINE 0.25%

Pilocarpine - PILOMIOTIN (Tilden Yates Labs)
(Pilocarpine <u>HCl</u>)
PV CARPINE (Allergan Labs.)
(Pilocarpine <u>Nitrate</u>)

4. Folic Acid tablets 5mg. is out of stock and according to minutes of last Therapeutic Committee meeting, is no longer available. This dosage form has been erdered deleted by FDA. Pharmacy will be dispensing the lmg. tablets. Please write medication orders and prescriptions accordingly.