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NDDoH Accepting Dispensary Applications for Bismarck/Mandan and Fargo Regions

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) is accepting applications for entities interested in obtaining a registration certificate to operate a dispensary in the Bismarck/Mandan and Fargo regions under the North Dakota Medical Marijuana Program. Applications will be accepted through August 7, 2018 at 3 p.m. central time. In September, the NDDoH will open applications for the Grand Forks and Williston dispensary regions, resulting in four out of eight dispensaries being selected in 2018.

"We are excited to reach another major step in implementing the medical marijuana program by opening the first round of dispensary applications," stated Jason Wahl, director of the Division of Medical Marijuana. "In addition, we anticipate accepting online patient and caregiver applications at the end of October so registry identification cards can be issued prior to dispensaries opening for business."

A dispensary registered with the NDDoH will be authorized to sell products to registered qualifying patients and designated caregivers. Dispensary applicants should complete application materials currently found on the website as there have been changes from the draft materials that were previously posted.

A panel will be established to review all complete applications. The panel will evaluate, score and select one applicant in each region (Bismarck/Mandan and Fargo) to be eligible for registration through the NDDoH.

Complete instructions and application forms are available on the division's website www.ndhealth.gov/MM/. A \$5,000 nonrefundable application fee is required with all submitted applications.

For questions, please contact the Division of Medical Marijuana at 701.328.1311.