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NDDoH Hosts Public Hearings on Proposed Rules for Medical Marijuana Program

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) Division of Medical Marijuana has completed six scheduled public hearings to obtain oral comments regarding the proposed administrative rules. Written comments will be accepted through December 26, 2017.

“Thank you to those who participated in the public hearings or submitted written comment,” said State Health Officer Mylynn Tuft. “We value each comment and are reviewing and considering them individually. The administrative rules are a vital part of implementing an effective and well-regulated medical marijuana program.”

After the comment period closes on December 26, department staff will work on responding to comments received. The NDDoH will post responses on the Division of Medical Marijuana website after the required information has been submitted to the North Dakota Legislative Council.

The NDDoH’s goal is to submit necessary information to the North Dakota Legislative Council by February 1, 2018 in order to have the proposed rules considered by the legislative Administrative Rules Committee at the March 2018 meeting. If the legislative committee approves the proposed rules, the earliest they could be effective is April 1, 2018.

The NDDoH anticipates having an open application period for manufacturing facilities shortly after the proposed rules are approved. For more information, including how to submit written comment, visit the division’s website at www.ndhealth.gov/MM/ or call 701.328.1311.

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