

Medical Marijuana Program Implementation Status Update

BioTrackTHC Kick-Off Meetings:

Staff from the Division of Medical Marijuana recently met in person with BioTrackTHC regarding the seed-to-sale tracking system as well as the registry system for patients, designated caregivers and compassion center agents. The two-and-a-half-day kick-off meeting was instrumental in ensuring that both the seed-to-sale and registry systems will meet the needs of the program, including sufficient tracking of inventory and ease of use for potential patients and designated caregivers.

Draft Dispensary Application:

A draft dispensary application with instructions has been posted to the division website. The materials are subject to change prior to the open application period. The purpose of making the draft available is to give potential applicants time to review the content of the application.

The open application period(s) for dispensaries has not been finalized at this time. Once the application review panel for manufacturing facilities has selected two entities to move forward in the registration process, the division will have more information regarding when products will be available to transfer to dispensaries. This information will be utilized by the division to determine open application period(s) for dispensaries.

Manufacturing Facility Application-Panel Meeting:

The review panel for manufacturing facility applications will meet again on May 15, 2018. To view the details of this meeting, please visit the Secretary of State website or click [here](#). Look for and select *Health, ND Department of* under the public entity category. All meetings scheduled for the Department of Health will be listed. The review panel meeting is titled *Medical Marijuana Manufacturing Facility Application Review Panel Meeting*.

It should be noted that information included in applications is considered confidential under NDCC Chapter 19-24.1. Therefore, the panel will hold an executive session to discuss applicant information. Members of the public cannot be present during executive session. Members from the public can be present when the review panel is not in executive session.

Question: The laws and rules for the Medical Marijuana Program are included in North Dakota Century Code Chapter 19-24.1 and North Dakota Administrative Code Chapter 33-44-01. Are there other requirements entities interested in obtaining a registration certificate to become a manufacturing facility or dispensary must comply with?

Answer: Yes. Entities who are going to be operating a business in the state of North Dakota are required to be aware of and comply with all state and local requirements. For instance, entities should be aware of requirements of the North Dakota Secretary of State, state and local fire codes, North Dakota Office of State Tax Commissioner, North Dakota Workforce Safety and Insurance, North Dakota Securities Department, and others. It is the entity's responsibility to be aware of, and be in compliance with, all state and local requirements.

Please continue to check the division website www.ndhealth.gov/MM/ for updated information regarding program implementation.

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