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## Dispensary Licensee Newsletter - June 2022

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### IMPORTANT UPDATES

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#### Recommendation Issuance

A recommendation will now become active upon the written date. Previously the recommendation start date was based on the date the patient activated or renewed the card and submitted payment.

#### Registration Renewal

Registrants do not receive an automated email from the Registry with a link to renew their registration. A patient or caregiver is able to renew their registration starting 30 days before the registration's expiration date. Within 30 days of the registration expiration date, patients and caregivers can visit [www.ohiomedicalmarijuanaregistry.com](http://www.ohiomedicalmarijuanaregistry.com) and login with their registered email address and password to renew the registration.

#### Recommendations Made Prior to Existing Recommendation Expiration Date

If a recommendation is renewed before the current recommendation expires, the current recommendation will be terminated immediately and the new recommendation will be effective.

Physicians creating a new recommendation for a new patient may make recommendations up to 90 days before the recommendation expiration date of the current recommendation, and they have the ability to specify a future recommendation start date (no more than six months after the current recommendation expiration date). If a date is not selected, the future start date will default to the day after the current recommendation expiration date.

#### RFA II Provisional Dispensary Licensees – Monthly Progress Report

On May 16, 2022, the State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy approved the issuance of [70 provisional dispensary licenses](#). The Board sent a Notice of Award of Provisional Dispensary License to each entity issued a provisional dispensary license to the email address of the Primary Contact provided in applications. Pursuant to Ohio [Adm.Code 3796:6-2-04\(M\)](#), every applicant awarded a provisional dispensary license is required to provide a written report to the Board no later than the first day of every month following the month the applicant was awarded a provisional dispensary license. The reports shall detail the progress of the applicant to become operational and shall be submitted until the medical marijuana dispensary receives a certificate of operation or the applicant receives a notice pursuant to [section 119.07](#) of the Revised Code.

Reports must be submitted to [mmcp@pharmacy.ohio.gov](mailto:mmcp@pharmacy.ohio.gov) and the assigned Board agent with the following Subject Line: [Applicant] – [Provisional Dispensary License Number MMD.#####] – [Month Year] Written Report. **The due date for the next monthly progress report is July 1, 2022.** Going forward, monthly progress reports are to include the following:

- Photographs of site;
- Copies of licenses, permits, etc. obtained from the local municipality, if applicable; and
- A detailed explanation of progress and efforts undertaken during the preceding month to become operational within 270 days after the issuance of the provisional dispensary license.

#### RFA II Provisional Dispensary Licensees – Associated Key Employee Fee Deadline

Pursuant to Ohio [Adm.Code 3796:6-2-07\(B\)](#), "Any person applying for an initial associated key employee license shall pay the required fee no later than 30 days after the award of a provisional dispensary license to the provisional dispensary application to which the person is associated." Provisional dispensary licenses were issued on May 17, 2022. The deadline for associated key employees to pay the required fee was June 16, 2022. **Any associated key employee that has not submitted the required fee as of June 16, 2022 must do so immediately.**

## **RFA II Provisional Dispensary Licensees – Bond Requirement**

A bond is a requirement for the issuance of a certificate of operation. The bond serves as a guarantee from the dispensary that it will comply with Ohio tax laws and MMCP regulations. Please review Ohio [Adm.Code 3796:6-2-11](#) for bond requirements. **The deadline to provide evidence of financial responsibility is August 14, 2022.**

## **RFA II – Provisional Dispensary License Informational Meeting**

On June 13, 2022, the Board hosted an informational meeting for RFA II provisional dispensary licensees. The presentations may be accessed at [www.medicalmarijuana.ohio.gov/dispensaries](http://www.medicalmarijuana.ohio.gov/dispensaries). Navigate to the “Dispensary Licensee Resources” section and select the “Dispensary General Operations” drop-down window. You may then access the following materials that were presented: “RFA II PDL Informational Meeting Bamboo Health Presentation”; “RFA II PDL Informational Meeting Board of Pharmacy Presentation”; and “RFA II PDL Informational Meeting METRC Presentation.”

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