



# Cannabis Control Commission Public Meeting

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In accordance with Sections 18-25 of Chapter 30A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2025, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Cannabis Control Commission. The meeting will take place as noted below.

CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

**April 10, 2025  
10:00 AM**

**In-Person and Remote via [Microsoft Teams Live\\*](#)**

PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Commissioners' Comments & Updates
- III. Minutes
  - 1. February 25, 2025
  - 2. February 27, 2025
  - 3. March 13, 2025
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- VII. Staff Recommendations on Provisional Licenses
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- VIII. Staff Recommendations on Final Licenses
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- IX. Commission Discussion and Votes
  1. Executive Director Goals for CY 2025 *Executive Director Travis Ahern*
  2. Overview of Hearing Officer Decision Process *General Counsel Kajal Chattopadhyay*
  3. Social Equity Trust Fund Update *Assistant Secretary Juan Vega (Executive Office of Economic Development), Director of Equity and Community Outreach Silea Williams*
  4. METRC Retail ID Presentation *Commissioner Kimberly Roy, David Urbanowicz and Jessica Painter (METRC), Chief of Investigation and Enforcement Nomxolisi Jones, Chief Technology and Innovation Officer Paul Clark*
  5. Administrative Order Requiring Licensees to Upload Certificates of Analysis in METRC *Commissioner Kimberly Roy, Chief of Investigation and Enforcement Nomxolisi Jones*
  6. Delivery to Consumers in Restricted Municipalities Opt-In Template Form *Commissioner Nurys Camargo, Director of Government Affairs and Policy Matt Giancola (Vote)*
- X. New Business Not Anticipated at the Time of Posting



XI. Executive Session

1. *Closed executive session under G. L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation because the open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body.*

XII.

XIII. Next Meeting Date

XIV. Adjournment

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CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

February 25, 2025

10:00 AM

Remote via [Microsoft Teams Live\\*](#)

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

**Documents:**

- [Meeting Packet](#)

**In Attendance:**

- Commissioner Nurys Z. Camargo
- Commissioner Kimberly Roy
- Acting Chair Bruce Stebbins

**Minutes:**

1) Call to Order

- The Acting Chair (AC) recognized a quorum and called the meeting to order.
- The AC gave notice that the meeting is being recorded.
- The AC gave an overview of the agenda.

2) Commissioners' Comments & Updates – 00:01:21

- Commissioner Roy thanked Chief of Research Julie Johnson (Chief Johnson) for her and her team's work on the Industry Report.

3) Commission Discussion and Votes – 00:04:16

I. Administrative License Renewal Extension Vote

- The AC explained that he had not sought Commissioner Camargo's vote on this topic at the February 13, 2025, meeting and was bringing this topic to ensure it was properly approved.
- Commissioner Camargo made a motion, in furtherance of previous motions, regarding extensions for Licensees voted on at the Public Meetings on August 11, 2022, and May 23, 2024, the Commission now moves to grant a further limited delegation of its authority under G.L. c. 10, § 76 (j), G.L. c. 94G, § 6 (a) and G.L. c. 94I, § 7 to permit the Chief of Investigations and Enforcement or their delegee discretion to approve additional extensions not to exceed an additional 240 calendar



days in total for the exclusive purpose of HCA or HCA Waiver compliance provided however, any administrative extension granted to a Licensee by this delegation of authority and the prior delegations of authority granted on August 11, 2022, and May 23, 2024 shall not exceed 600 calendar days in total and provided further that during an administrative extension Licensee shall continue to comply with the Commission's requirements for licensure and shall be required to pay a prorated License fee to cover the extension; the effective date of this motion shall be February 13, 2025.

- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

## II. Industry Report

- Chief Johnson presented the Industry Report and began by summarizing the legislatively mandated research agenda. She provided background on the plant and the methods which her department used to create the report, using data from the Open Data Catalog and the Commission's internal Tableau server from November 2018 through April 2024. Chief Johnson presented data on Adult-use Marijuana Establishments (MEs), Cannabis production, products and sales, patients, testing and agents. She ended her presentation by presenting policy recommendations regarding research and testing and clarifying for Commissioners that the report was final, but an additional document would be produced to address any follow-up questions. Commissioner Roy noted that the report indicated negative trends for the Medical-use Program and added it was helpful for guiding policy decisions. Chief Johnson clarified for the AC that the Industry Report was a separate objective from the report which would be submitted to the International Cannabis Policy Study. Commissioner Camargo asked if a Commissioner should be involved in the development of the next Industry Report and Chief Johnson stated that a steering committee would be reestablished which would include leadership and Commissioners. Acting Executive Director Debra Hilton-Creek (AED Hilton-Creek) suggested another study to research market saturation.

### 4) New Business Not Anticipated at Time of Posting – 01:30:59

- The AC stated that there was no new business which was not anticipated at the time of posting.

### 5) Next Meeting Date – 01:31:04

- The AC stated that the next meeting was scheduled for February 27, 2025.

### 6) Executive Session – 01:34:05

- Commissioner Camargo moved to enter into Executive Session pursuant to G. L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation



because the open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body.

- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion to enter into Executive Session and each Commissioner confirmed that no one could hear the deliberations of the Executive Session. The AC stated that Commissioners would adjourn from Executive Session.



CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

**February 27, 2025**

**10:00 AM**

**In-Person with Remote Access via [Microsoft Teams Live\\*](#)**

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

**Documents:**

- Application Materials associated with
  - Staff Recommendations on Changes of Ownership
  - Staff Recommendations on Renewal Licenses
- [Meeting Packet](#)
- Department of Public Health Commissioner Robert Goldstein's February 25, 2025, Memorandum

**In Attendance:**

- Commissioner Nurys Z. Camargo
- Commissioner Kimberly Roy
- Acting Chair Bruce Stebbins

**Minutes:**

- I. Call to Order
  - The Acting Chair (AC) recognized a quorum and called the meeting to order.
  - The AC gave notice that the meeting is being recorded.
  - The AC gave an overview of the agenda and rules of conduct.
- II. Commissioners' Comments & Updates – 00:02:26
  - Commissioner Roy stated her intention to modernize the Medical-use Program and thanked speakers for participating. The AC expressed his concern for the Medical-use Program and discussed a memorandum from Commissioner Robert Goldstein at the Department of Public Health (DPH).
- III. Public Listening Session: Medical Use of Marijuana Program – 00:12:47
  - Constituent Services Manager Kate Fiske (Manager Fiske) provided an overview of the Constituent Services department and described how they provided general constituent support as well as support for the Medical-use Program. She discussed the



history of the program and how it had been established under DPH and provided data on the department's call and email volume.

IV. Public Listening Session: Medical Use of Marijuana Program – 00:29:21

- The first speaker was Jeremiah MacKinnon, President of the Massachusetts Patient Advocacy Alliance. He advocated for Commissioners to take immediate action to remove the Vertical Integration requirement for Marijuana Treatment Centers (MTCs), which he said created unnecessary barriers for both Registered Qualifying Patients and Licensees.
- The next speaker was Frank Shaw. He stated that he had been diagnosed with HIV/AIDS in 1998 and that his access to Medical Marijuana had been threatened by closures of nearby MTCs. He advocated for removing the Vertical Integration requirement for MTCs to ensure access for Registered Qualifying Patients.
- The next speaker was Bill Downing. He stated that a lack of access to Medical Marijuana forced Registered Qualifying Patients to either pay taxes on their Cannabis or turn to the black market. He advocated for removing all fees for Registered Qualifying Patients and removing the Vertical Integration requirement.
- The next speaker was Timothy McNamara, President and General Counsel of Holistic Health Group. He concurred with the earlier speakers and advocated for removing the Vertical Integration requirement, allowing reciprocity for other state's medical programs and reducing fees for MTCs. He asked for guidance on Institutional Caregivers and stated that there were already regulatory provisions which could improve the Medical-use Program such as the Leadership Rating Program. He added that the accounts receivable issue effected every Licensee, and current regulations did not account for bad actors who accrued debt.
- The next speaker was Erica McGee. She asked when she could expect Medical-use Marijuana to be covered by healthcare and the AC stated that was out of the Commission's regulatory authority. Commissioner Roy stated that Commissioner Robert Goldstein's memorandum potentially represented a first step in that direction. Ms. McGee described how she had been unable to access Medical-use Marijuana within the last year when she was homebound.
- The next speaker was Gary Gill. He stated that he had been a caregiver for a partner who passed away due to AIDS as well as for many people in Salem. During that time, the MTCs which he relied upon had been closing due to barriers to entry for Licensees. He described how Marijuana helped to reduce symptoms of wasting in those suffering from HIV/AIDS and reduced access to MTCs directly affected those patients.
- The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 01:31:46.)
- The next speaker was Megan Dube. She explained that she lived in Barre, Massachusetts and had to drive 25 minutes in order to access an MTC. She recommended: remove the Vertical Integration requirement; remove the requirement for a physician to be involved with the certifications issued by Certified Nurse Practitioners with more than two years of experience; create an anonymous complaint



- structure; education for Certifying Healthcare Providers; create a public provider directory; implement the Leadership Rating Program; and make Licensee's Positive Impact Plans and Diversity Plans more public. She additionally recommended that the Commission immediately fill the Director of Testing role and Commissioner Roy clarified that the Director of Testing role had been filled.
- The next speaker was Bill Flynn, a Registered Qualifying Patient. He questioned why there were so many fees for Qualified Patients, many of whom were on a fixed income. He urged Commissioners to take a compassionate approach with the Medical-use Program and reduce barriers to entry for MTCs.
  - The next speaker was Danny Carson. He stated that he had been testing products off the shelf and had found 29 products which did not pass testing from nine different Cultivators. He stated that he had spoken with workers from the facilities that produced the products and had found workers who were experiencing respiratory issues at each. He asked Commissioners to act quickly to address this issue.
  - The next speaker was Ellen Andrew-Kasper. She stated that she worked with an MTC and had advocated for the introduction of an Adult-use Marijuana Establishment (ME) in two towns so that Registered Qualifying Patients would have access. She advocated for the removal of the Vertical Integration requirement; reduced fees for MTCs; allowing for MEs to add an MTC counter, decrease the cost for Registered Agents, reduced badging fees, reciprocity for other state's medical programs, allow for loyalty programs, enforce License caps for areas that are saturated; and require labels for products which had been remediated.
  - The next speaker was Jeannine MacKinnon, who was present with her son. She described his experience in a group home where he not been provided with Medical-use Marijuana and her own conditions which were treated by Medical-use Marijuana. She urged Commissioners to remove the Vertical Integration requirement to increase access to Marijuana.
  - The next speaker was Julien Debelle Duplan, founder of EZMEDCARD. He stated that Marijuana was essential medicine for Registered Qualifying Patients and advocated for removing the Vertical Integration requirement. He stated that he agreed with Ms. Dube's suggestion to create a directory for Certifying Physicians as well as requiring Cannabis-specific education for them.
  - The next speaker was Lucas Thayer. He advocated for holding a general listening session and stated that municipalities were not acting in good faith during Host Community Agreement (HCA) negotiations. He advocated for removing the Vertical Integration requirement; for Commissioners to lobby the legislature on patients' behalf; reciprocity for other state's medical programs; and reducing regulatory burdens for MTCs.
  - The next speaker was Michael Vilcans, a Registered Qualifying Patient. He recounted an experience purchasing Medical-use Products, reading online that it had been contaminated and being assured by Commission staff that the product was fine before a bulletin was issued stating that it had been contaminated. Additionally, he advocated for Patient Registration Cards to last multiple years and for increased training for Certifying Physicians.



- The next speaker was Marco Troiani, CEO of Digamma Consulting. He noted press coverage of contamination issues and stated that he had submitted technical papers to address yeast and mold issues.
- The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 03:17:30.)
- Stephen Mandile, Uxbridge Select Board Member, was the first speaker to testify virtually. He asked for a letter of support for HD 3064 to improve veteran access to Medical-use Marijuana.
- The next speaker was Ellen Brown, the founder of Green Path Training. She advocated for decreasing barriers to entry for MTCs by reducing licensing fees, removing the Vertical Integration requirement, reciprocity for other state's medical programs, reworking the patient registration process, and the removal of Hardship Cultivation Registration.
- The next speaker was Emily Waxman, Director of Community Outreach at MedWell Health & Wellness Centers. She explained that she had seen how effective Medical-use Cannabis could be for various illnesses and noted the disparity between MTCs and MEs now threatened patient access. She advocated for the Commission to ensure access to MTCs for Registered Qualifying Patients.
- The next speaker was Kyle Grosz, a Registered Qualifying Patient. He described how Medical-use Marijuana had changed his life, but that since registering as a patient, the MTC near him had closed, causing the cost to skyrocket. He advocated for the Commission to take action to ensure access to MTCs for Registered Qualifying Patients.
- The next speaker was Meredith Freed, a Registered Qualifying Patient. She advocated for guaranteed access to Medical-use Marijuana for Registered Qualifying Patients, reciprocity for other state's medical programs, automatic renewal of Patient Registration Cards, establishing incentives to make MTCs more attractive, removing the Vertical Integration requirement, updating the "find a retailer" function on the Commission website and to allow for low-cost samples.
- The next speaker was Ellen Moore. She discussed how MTCs had been outpaced by MEs and advocated for removing the Vertical Integration requirement. She stated that this prevented Social Equity Program (SEP) participants and other small operators from serving the medical market due to the costs of startup and now patients were suffering from a lack of access.
- The next speaker was Jodi Chapin, a Registered Nurse and Vice-President of Green Network Providers. She stated that there was confusion regarding expiration dates for Patient Registration Cards as well as regarding remediated product. She advocated establishing a Cannabis compassion program to ensure access to Medical-use Marijuana for low-income Registered Qualifying Patients or a program to connect patients with Caregivers who could provide particular products.
- The next speaker was Patricia Cooney, a Registered Nurse. She discussed her daughter's health issues and how Medical-use Marijuana had been helpful. She described how doctors were not often educated on Marijuana and the costs of registering as a patient. She stated that MTC closures threatened access and advocated



for allowing Adult-use MEs to add a Medical-use counter. She added that serving Registered Qualifying Patient needed to be the Commission's primary goal.

- The next speaker was Linda Noel; her testimony was inaudible.
- The next speaker was Elizabeth Palmer, a Registered Qualifying Patient. She stated that she had worked in the industry since 2018. She described how she needed to do a 102-mile round trip in order to stock the products she needed. She stated that she had experienced problems with MassCIP downtime and advocated for allotments to be increased, particularly with concentrates and infused pre-rolls. She stated that she often faced delays in-store due to overly strict regulations.
- The next speaker was Jessica Fiasconaro. She stated that she had issues accessing MTCs due to them not being handicap accessible and that MTCs should be forced to stack hardship discount on top of any other sales that they are offering.
- The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 04:35:24.)
- The next speaker was Peter Lynch, a Registered Qualifying Patient. He explained that he found Cannabis helpful for addressing substance abuse issues and advocated for establishing a program where patients could connect to share homegrown Cannabis. He discussed mold and pest issues experienced by Indoor Cultivators and stated that Cannabis grown outdoors was better for patients.

V. Staff Recommendations on Changes of Ownership – 04:47:57

- Licensing Manager Anne DiMare (Manager DiMare) presented on behalf of the Licensing department the Staff Recommendations for Changes of Ownership and Final Licenses.

1. House of Ermias, LLC

- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.

2. Leaf Relief, Inc.

- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.

VI. Staff Recommendations on License Renewals – 04:50:12



- The AC requested conditions on three Licenses.
  - Proposed condition for License Renewal numbered six on the agenda, Calverde Naturals, LLC (MRR207163): Within thirty business days of approval of Application for Renewal, contact CCC Licensing Division and provide response on whether Licensee would consider potential changes toward goal #1 in Licensee's Positive Impact Plan in accordance with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.103(4)(b).
  - Proposed condition for License Renewal numbered 31 on the agenda, The Fresh Connection Boston LLC (MCR140885): Within thirty business days of approval of Application for Renewal, please respond and report on progress and success toward hiring goals of veterans and persons with disabilities in Diversity Plan in accordance with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.103(4)(b).
  - Proposed condition for License Renewals numbered 33 and 34 on the agenda, HVV Massachusetts (RMD1185 / RMD1405): Within thirty business days of approval of Application for Renewal, provide to CCC Licensing Division a response and evaluation of how new Diversity Plan complies with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 501.103(4)(b).
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the renewal of items numbered 1-34 as indicated on the agenda, subject to the conditions articulated by the AC.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the renewal of items numbered 1-34 as indicated on the agenda, subject to the conditions articulated by the AC.

## VII. Commission Discussion and Votes – 04:53:27

### 1. Job Description: Data Analyst

- Chief Technology and Innovation Officer Paul Clark (Chief Clark) described how this position would be part of the daily analytics team, and the primary focus would be reporting and data analytics for the Open Data Platform. He stated that this position would be swapped for another which had initially been included in the FY25 budget and would be budget neutral. He clarified for Commissioner Roy that this was a critical position to timely respond to Public Record Requests (PRR) as well as press inquiries.
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Data Analyst job description.
- The AC seconded the motion.
- Commissioner Camargo stated that she would not vote affirmatively on job descriptions until the new Executive Director (ED) was onboarded.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – No
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes



- AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission denied the motion by a vote of two in favor and one opposed.

VIII. New Business Not Anticipated at Time of Posting – 05:04:09

- The AC stated that there was no new business which was not anticipated at the time of posting.

IX. Next Meeting Date – 05:04:13

- The AC stated that the next meeting was scheduled for March 13, 2025, and Commissioner Roy requested that the Data Analyst job description be added to the agenda as well as a tipline update.

X. Adjournment – 05:05:07

- Commissioner Camargo moved to adjourn.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion to adjourn.



CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

**March 13, 2025**

**10:00 AM**

**In-Person with Remote Access via [Microsoft Teams Live\\*](#)**

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

**Documents:**

- Application Materials associated with:
  - Staff Recommendations on Renewal Licenses
  - Staff Recommendations on Provisional Licenses
  - Staff Recommendations on Final Licenses
  - Staff Recommendations on Responsible Vendor Training Renewal Licenses
- [Meeting Packet](#)
- December 11, 2024, Public Listening Session Minutes

**In Attendance:**

- Commissioner Nurys Z. Camargo
- Commissioner Kimberly Roy
- Acting Chair Bruce Stebbins

**Minutes:**

- I. Call to Order
  - The Acting Chair (AC) recognized a quorum and called the meeting to order.
  - The AC gave notice that the meeting is being recorded.
  - The AC gave an overview of the agenda.
- II. Commissioners' Comments & Updates – 00:02:02
  - Commissioner Camargo stated that she was planning on releasing updated Social Consumption regulations by March 27<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Roy discussed her testimony before the Joint Committee on Ways and Means and welcomed Executive Director (ED) Travis Ahern. The AC stated that he had met with Social Equity Program (SEP) Licensees in Springfield to discuss capital issues, advertising and the Delivery License types. He noted a meeting with members of Liberty Bank and discussed a meeting with local officials and Haverhill Stem to discuss Social Consumption regulations.



### III. Minutes for Approval – 00:11:03

- February 13, 2025
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the February 13, 2025, Commission Public Meeting minutes.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the February 13, 2025, Commission Public Meeting minutes.
  
- February 18, 2025
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the February 18, 2025, Commission Public Meeting minutes.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the February 18, 2025, Commission Public Meeting minutes.

### IV. Acting Executive Director and Commission Staff Report – 00:12:32

#### 1. Operational Updates

- The ED discussed the first two weeks of his onboarding, largely centered on meeting staff and testifying before the Joint Committee on Ways and Means. He noted that his onboarding marked the sunset of the June 13, 2024, motion to delegate certain responsibilities of the ED to Chiefs and Directors. His next steps were continued meetings with staff and external stakeholders.

#### 2. Licensing Updates

- Director of Licensing Olivia Koval (Director Koval) presented highlights from licensing data. Commissioner Roy stated that she had been notified that an application for Standards Laboratory had been submitted, which Director Koval confirmed. Commissioner Roy requested an edit to the slide on tiers to indicate that this was assuming that Licensees were using the maximum canopy which they were allowed. Commissioner Roy asked that Community Impact Fees (CIFs) be shared with Commissioners when they were received for approval.
- The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 00:52:31.)

#### 3. Workforce Updates



- Chief People Officer Debbie Hilton-Creek (CPO Hilton-Creek) presented the workforce report. She reviewed the positions which had recently been filled and went over the status of open positions in the hiring process. She provided statistics of Commission employee demographics and Commissioner Roy requested information on how the Commission's turnover rate compared to other state agencies. CPO Hilton-Creek discussed information learned from exit interviews and stated that she had revised the employee policy manual which would be ready for Commissioners and leadership's review soon. Commissioner Roy asked about the Enhanced Code of Ethics and General Counsel Kajal Chattopadhyay (GC Chattopadhyay) stated that he was under the impression that the document had been filed with the State Ethics Commission. He offered to work offline with Commissioner Roy to determine its status. Commissioner Camargo requested an employee engagement survey to get thoughts from current Commission employees. The AC asked if there was a way for the Commission to implement programs similar to what was required of Licensees such as Diversity Plans and CPO Hilton-Creek stated that was part of the rationale behind hiring Director of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Employee Relations Sudeshna Chatterjee (Director Chatterjee).

#### 4. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Updates

- Director Chatterjee discussed her planned diversity initiatives for 2025 to improve employee engagement, professional development, workplace policies and staff advisory services. Commissioner Camargo asked if Commissioners would be involved in the Leadership Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Justice and Belonging (DEIJB) Steering Committee and CPO Hilton-Creek responded that the leadership involvement would be critical. She added that the first professional development workshop was scheduled for March 28<sup>th</sup> and would focus on interpersonal communication. CPO Hilton-Creek stated that Chiefs had developed a communication policy which was being workshopped and Commissioner Camargo requested that the policy be shared with Commissioners. Commissioner Roy volunteered to help with engaging external stakeholders as a part of the Equity and Access Committee and CPO Hilton-Creek clarified that the group was still in development, but she was welcome to join. The AC asked that Director Chatterjee consider ways to educate Licensees on different way to implement Diversity Plans.

#### V. Staff Recommendations on Renewal Licenses – 02:25:01

- Licensing Manager Tsuko Defoe (Manager Defoe) presented on behalf of the Licensing department the Staff Recommendations for Changes of Ownership, Renewals, Provisionals and Final Licenses.
- The AC requested a condition.
  - Proposed condition for Leaf Lux Group Inc. (MRR207082): Within thirty business days of approval of Application for Renewal, contact CCC Licensing Division and provide a response on current progress toward goals in Positive Impact Plan and Diversity Plan including description of grant and alignment



with Positive Impact Plan in accordance with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.103(4)(b).

- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the renewal of items numbered 1-31, 33-42, and 44-45 as indicated on the agenda, subject to the condition articulated by the AC.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the renewal of items numbered 1-31, 33-42, and 44-45 as indicated on the agenda subject to the condition articulated by the AC.
  
- Resinate Inc (MRR207151)
- The AC requested a condition.
  - Proposed condition for Resinate Inc (MRR207151): Within thirty business days of approval of Application for Renewal, contact CCC Licensing Division and provide a response on current progress toward Goal #2 under Positive Impact Plan in accordance with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.103(4)(b).
- Commissioner Camargo moved to delegate limited authority to review and approve renewal of License numbered 32 on the agenda to the Executive Director, in consideration of the AC's proposed condition.
- The AC seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion.
  
- Western Front, LLC (#MRR207125)
- Commissioner Roy moved to delegate limited authority to review and approve renewal of License numbered 43 on the agenda to the Executive Director.
- The AC seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion.
- Commissioner Roy asked about a survey which was included with renewal applications and Manager Defoe explained that Licensees used the survey to indicate what they were donating to as a part of their Positive Impact Plan. The AC suggested taking the agenda out of order and taking Final Licenses next and there were no objections.



VI. Staff Recommendations on Final Licenses – 02:37:56

1. Haze of Grafton, LLC (#MR282399), Marijuana Retailer
  2. Lazy River Products – Tewksbury, LLC (#MR284805), Marijuana Retailer
  3. Richards Flowers, LLC (#MB282225), Marijuana Microbusiness
  4. Green Gold Group, Inc. (#RMD4217-R), Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Final License roster from 1-4 as indicated on the agenda.
  - Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
  - The AC took a roll call vote:
    - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
    - Commissioner Roy – Yes
    - AC Stebbins – Yes
  - The Commission unanimously approved the Final License roster from 1-4 as indicated on the agenda.
  - Commissioner Roy requested a map showing the distribution of Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers (MTCs) across the state.
  - The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 03:37:12.)

VII. Staff Recommendations on Provisional Licenses

1. Ember Gardens Boston, LLC (#MRN284206), Marijuana Retailer
  - Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
    - Proposed condition: Prior to Final Licensure, in accordance with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.140(6)(a-j) please provide the Commission with a copy of your consumer education. To ensure compliance, consumer educational materials shall include subsections; (a – j), and must also include the phone number for the Massachusetts Substance Use Helpline.
  - Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.
  - Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
  - The AC took a roll call vote:
    - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
    - Commissioner Roy – Yes
    - AC Stebbins – Yes
  - The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.

VIII. Staff Recommendations on Responsible Vendor Training License Renewal – 03:39:30

1. 420 Trainers LLC (#RVR453152)
  - Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Responsible Vendor Training Renewal.
  - Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.



- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Responsible Vendor Training Renewal License.
- Commissioner Roy asked if it would be appropriate to seek feedback from stakeholders on how Responsible Vendor Training (RVT) should be updated to address Social Consumption. The AC explained that an RVT advisory group had been formed as a part of the Social Consumption working group.

## IX. Commission Discussion and Votes – 03:45:07

### 1. Delivery Exclusivity Working Group Recommendation

- Deputy General Counsel Michael Baker (DGC Baker) explained that the purpose of the working group was to collect data to inform Commissioner’s decision regarding whether to extend the exclusivity period for the Delivery Courier/Delivery Operator Licenses. He summarized the regulatory considerations and stated that the working group’s recommendation was to extend the exclusivity period by 12 months during which time the working group would continue to collect and analyze data to inform potential regulatory amendments. Commissioner Roy asked about a comment made by former Commissioner Shaleen Title, who appeared virtually at the December 11, 2024, Public Listening Session and if this recommendation could invite litigation. GC Chattopadhyay responded that the working group’s recommendation was a thoughtful approach that would provide the Commission time to gather more data. The ED stated that the membership of the working group would be reconsidered in light of some vacancies and Commissioner Roy stated that this should have input from two Commissioners. Commissioner Roy asked that the group consider profit and loss, accounts receivable, closures and staffing issues such as layoffs when determining whether the Delivery License types were financially feasible. Commissioners discussed potential motion language.
- The Commission took a brief recess. (Returned at 04:28:52.)
- Commissioner Roy asked if SEP data had informed the working group’s recommendation and DGC Baker explained that the working group would include that data in the final report.
- Commissioner Camargo moved to extend the Delivery Exclusivity period for an additional 12 months as provided under 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(10)(b)3., 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(11)(f)3. and 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.050(5)(e), until April 1, 2026.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes



- AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion.
- Commissioner Roy moved to direct the ED, in consultation with the sponsoring Commissioners, to work with the members of the Delivery Exclusivity Working Group to finalize the report and present the report at Public Meeting no later than September 11, 2025.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

## 2. Job Description: Data Analyst

- CPO Hilton-Creek stated that she approved this role and Chief Technology and Innovation Officer Paul Clark (Chief Clark) stated that this position would be budget neutral as it was being swapped with another. The ED indicated that he was supportive of the position. Commissioner Roy asked if this position had public health implications and Chief Clark stated that it would, as this position would help interpret data which would drive policy decisions. He broke down Research department staff and explained that this position was being sought due to an increase in the number of data requests. Commissioner Camargo asked if this was an internal opportunity and Chief Clark confirmed that it would be posted internally before seeking external candidates. Commissioner Roy stated that she hoped this position would give the Commission the resources to implement something similar to Connecticut's Certificates of Analysis (COA) repository. She stated her intent to have an update on COAs at the next regular meeting.
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Data Analyst job description.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

## 3. Tipline Update

- Commissioner Roy explained that this topic was before the Commission to address worker safety and public health issues so that concerns and complaints could be submitted to the Commission and effectively triaged. Chief Clark described how currently there was no set process for receiving and processing complaints and that they were regularly received by different departments. Commissioner Roy asked the ED when the tipline would be implemented and he responded that he did not have a specific date, but implementation would depend on the budget which the Commission



received as it would take staff to run. Chief Clark explained that the webform development work was complete and the outstanding tasks included developing a tipline landing page, Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), a job description and tracking mechanisms. Commissioners discussed what department this position would be placed in and how it would centralize the complaint process.

- Commissioner Roy moved to direct project staff to work together to complete next steps, operationalize and launch a centralized tipline.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

4. Recommendation to Amend Section 5.4 of the Testing Protocol and Amend Administrative Order No. 4 Requiring Licensees to Submit Full Panel Test Sample for Required Compliance Testing

- Chief of Investigations and Enforcement Nomxolisi Jones (Chief Jones) explained that a bulletin had gone out on November 6, 2024, and administrative order had been approved on December 17, 2024. She described how, while her team was building out all of the documents which this would require, they found that Metrc did not have the functionality to comply with Section 5.4 of the Testing Protocol which was referenced in the Administrative Order. Interim Director of Testing Timothy Barwise confirmed for Commissioner Roy that what was being requested was the rescission of the Bulletin regarding the Administrative Order and an amendment to the Administrative Order, while the Testing Protocol would remain the same. Commissioner Roy asked if an edit to the Administrative Order could be implemented to indicate that the Commission may require further tests in the interest of public health and safety and Enforcement Counsel Timothy Goodin (EC Goodin) explained that would serve to reiterate the Commission's authority.
- Commissioner Camargo moved to direct the ED to amend Administrative Order No. 4 requiring Licensees to submit full panel test sample for required compliance testing by striking section 6 and replacing it with the following language: Licensees shall not create multiple Test Sample Packages from the same Marijuana or Marijuana Product source package for compliance testing panels; provided, however, that the Commission may require Licensees to create additional test sample packages from the same Marijuana or Marijuana Product source package for the purposes of additional compliance testing necessitated to protect public health or safety in accordance with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.160(3) and 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.160(3).
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes



- AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

#### 5. Executive Session Minutes

- Commissioner Camargo moved to enter Executive Session to review executive session meeting minutes pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(7) and G.L. c. 30A, §§ 22(f), (g).
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion.
- The Commission entered Executive Session. (Returned at 07:12:15.)
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Executive Session minutes for September 14, 2023; September 29, 2023; October 10, 2023; October 25, 2023; November 1, 2023; November 7, 2023; and November 14, 2023 and direct the Legal department to prepare these minutes for public release subject to redaction.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

#### X. New Business Not Anticipated at the Time of Posting – 07:16:19

- The AC stated that there was no new business which was not anticipated at the time of posting.

#### XI. Next Meeting Date – 07:16:36

- The AC stated that the next meeting was scheduled for March 27, 2025.

#### XII. Adjournment – 07:17:34

- Commissioner Camargo moved to adjourn.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The AC took a roll call vote:
  - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
  - Commissioner Roy – Yes
  - AC Stebbins – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion to adjourn.



**Bask, Inc.**  
**0283-COO-03-0624**

**CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OVERVIEW**

1. Licensee Information:

|                                |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| <b>Licensee Business Name:</b> | Bask, Inc. |
| <b>Licensee d/b/a Name:</b>    | N/A        |

2. License(s) Affected by this Change Request:

| <b>License Number</b> | <b>License Type</b>            |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| MC282211              | Marijuana Cultivator           |
| MP281702              | Marijuana Product Manufacturer |

3. The licensee has paid the applicable fees for this change request.

4. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Persons Having Direct or Indirect Control:

| <b>Individual</b> | <b>Role</b>                            |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Timothy Keogh     | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |
| Benjamin Barton   | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |

5. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Entities Having Direct or Indirect Control:

| <b>Entity</b>          | <b>Role</b>                            |
|------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| AmeriCann Brands, Inc. | Entity with Direct or Indirect Control |

6. Background checks were conducted on all proposed parties and no suitability issues were discovered.

7. The proposed parties do not appear to have exceeded any ownership or control limits over any license type.



8. Commission staff conducted an organizational and financial inspection into the parties associated with this request and found no issues or inconsistencies with the information provided to the Commission.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Commission staff recommend review and decision on the request for change of ownership and control, and if approved, request that the approval be subject to the following conditions:

1. The licensee and proposed parties may now effectuate the approved change.
2. The licensee shall notify the Commission when the change has occurred.
3. The licensee shall submit a change of name request following this approval if any business or doing-business-as names associated with the license(s) will require modification.
4. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
5. The licensee shall remain suitable for licensure.
6. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
7. The licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) and/or 935 CMR 501.105(1) after effectuating the change, if applicable, and shall give Commission staff adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.



## Cloud Creamery LLC 0288-COO-03-0724

### CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OVERVIEW

1. Licensee Information:

|                                |                    |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Licensee Business Name:</b> | Cloud Creamery LLC |
| <b>Licensee d/b/a Name:</b>    | Plant Jam          |

2. License(s) Affected by this Change Request:

| <b>License Number</b> | <b>License Type</b>            |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| MP281412              | Marijuana Product Manufacturer |

3. The licensee has paid the applicable fees for this change request.

4. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Persons Having Direct or Indirect Control:

| <b>Individual</b> | <b>Role</b>                            |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Philip Hon        | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |
| Mark Hsieh        | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |
| Joanne Jacobson   | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |
| Paul Jacobson     | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |
| Keith Pizzi       | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |

5. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Entities Having Direct or Indirect Control:

| <b>Entity</b>             | <b>Role</b>                            |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| AMA Holdings, LLC         | Entity with Direct or Indirect Control |
| Aureus Capital Group, LLC | Entity with Direct or Indirect Control |
| Going Rove, LLC           | Entity with Direct or Indirect Control |

6. Background checks were conducted on all proposed parties and no suitability issues were discovered.



7. The proposed parties do not appear to have exceeded any ownership or control limits over any license type.
8. Commission staff conducted an organizational and financial inspection into the parties associated with this request and found no issues or inconsistencies with the information provided to the Commission.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Commission staff recommend review and decision on the request for change of ownership and control, and if approved, request that the approval be subject to the following conditions:

1. The licensee and proposed parties may now effectuate the approved change.
2. The licensee shall notify the Commission when the change has occurred.
3. The licensee shall submit a change of name request following this approval if any business or doing-business-as names associated with the license(s) will require modification.
4. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
5. The licensee shall remain suitable for licensure.
6. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
7. The licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) and/or 935 CMR 501.105(1) after effectuating the change, if applicable, and shall give Commission staff adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.



## Curaleaf North Shore, Inc. 0264-COO-03-0224

### CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OVERVIEW

1. Licensee Information:

|                                |                            |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Licensee Business Name:</b> | Curaleaf North Shore, Inc. |
| <b>Licensee d/b/a Name:</b>    | N/A                        |

2. License(s) Affected by this Change Request:

| License Number | License Type                   |
|----------------|--------------------------------|
| MC281255       | Marijuana Cultivator           |
| MP281300       | Marijuana Product Manufacturer |

3. The licensee has paid the applicable fees for this change request.

4. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Persons Having Direct or Indirect Control:

| Individual      | Role                                   |
|-----------------|----------------------------------------|
| Shmuel Brill    | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |
| Joshua Gold     | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |
| John Hartmann   | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |
| Abner Kurtin    | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |
| Francis Perullo | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |
| Scott Swid      | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |
| Julie Francis   | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |
| Roman Nemchenko | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |

5. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Entities Having Direct or Indirect Control:

| Entity                         | Role                                   |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Ascend Wellness Holdings, Inc. | Entity with Direct or Indirect Control |
| AGP Partners, LLC              | Entity with Direct or Indirect Control |
| MassGrow, Inc.                 | Entity with Direct or Indirect Control |
| MassGrow, LLC                  | Entity with Direct or Indirect Control |

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6. Background checks were conducted on all proposed parties and no suitability issues were discovered.
7. The proposed parties do not appear to have exceeded any ownership or control limits over any license type.
8. Commission staff conducted an organizational and financial inspection into the parties associated with this request and found no issues or inconsistencies with the information provided to the Commission.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Commission staff recommend review and decision on the request for change of ownership and control, and if approved, request that the approval be subject to the following conditions:

1. The licensee and proposed parties may now effectuate the approved change.
2. The licensee shall notify the Commission when the change has occurred.
3. The licensee shall submit a change of name request following this approval if any business or doing-business-as names associated with the license(s) will require modification.
4. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
5. The licensee shall remain suitable for licensure.
6. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
7. The licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) and/or 935 CMR 501.105(1) after effectuating the change, if applicable, and shall give Commission staff adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.



**FCC Holdings LLC**  
**0302-COO-03-1224**

**CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OVERVIEW**

1. Licensee Information:

|                                |                           |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Licensee Business Name:</b> | FCC Holdings LLC          |
| <b>Licensee d/b/a Name:</b>    | Florence Cannabis Company |

2. License(s) Affected by this Change Request:

| <b>License Number</b> | <b>License Type</b>     |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| MB282029              | Marijuana Microbusiness |

3. The licensee has paid the applicable fees for this change request.

4. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Persons Having Direct or Indirect Control:

| <b>Individual</b> | <b>Role</b>                            |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Anothony Palazzi  | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |

5. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Entities Having Direct or Indirect Control:

| <b>Entity</b>        | <b>Role</b>                            |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Palazzi Incorporated | Entity with Direct or Indirect Control |

6. Background checks were conducted on all proposed parties and no suitability issues were discovered.

7. The proposed parties do not appear to have exceeded any ownership or control limits over any license type.

8. Commission staff conducted an organizational and financial inspection into the parties associated with this request and found no issues or inconsistencies with the information provided to the Commission.



## RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend review and decision on the request for change of ownership and control, and if approved, request that the approval be subject to the following conditions:

1. The licensee and proposed parties may now effectuate the approved change.
2. The licensee shall notify the Commission when the change has occurred.
3. The licensee shall submit a change of name request following this approval if any business or doing-business-as names associated with the license(s) will require modification.
4. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
5. The licensee shall remain suitable for licensure.
6. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
7. The licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) and/or 935 CMR 501.105(1) after effectuating the change, if applicable, and shall give Commission staff adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.



## Hadleaf Holistic Greens Dispensary, LLC 0304-COO-03-1224

### CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OVERVIEW

1. Licensee Information:

|                                |                                         |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| <b>Licensee Business Name:</b> | Hadleaf Holistic Greens Dispensary, LLC |
| <b>Licensee d/b/a Name:</b>    | N/A                                     |

2. License(s) Affected by this Change Request:

| <b>License Number</b> | <b>License Type</b> |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| MR284228              | Marijuana Retailer  |

3. The licensee has paid the applicable fees for this change request.

4. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Persons Having Direct or Indirect Control:

| <b>Individual</b>  | <b>Role</b>                            |
|--------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Artur Hovhannisyan | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |

5. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Entities Having Direct or Indirect Control:

| <b>Entity</b>          | <b>Role</b>                            |
|------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| HIE Holding Group, LLC | Entity with Direct or Indirect Control |
| SIL Group Holding, LLC | Entity with Direct or Indirect Control |

6. Background checks were conducted on all proposed parties and no suitability issues were discovered.

7. The proposed parties do not appear to have exceeded any ownership or control limits over any license type.

8. Commission staff conducted an organizational and financial inspection into the parties associated with this request and found no issues or inconsistencies with the information provided to the Commission.



## RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend review and decision on the request for change of ownership and control, and if approved, request that the approval be subject to the following conditions:

1. The licensee and proposed parties may now effectuate the approved change.
2. The licensee shall notify the Commission when the change has occurred.
3. The licensee shall submit a change of name request following this approval if any business or doing-business-as names associated with the license(s) will require modification.
4. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
5. The licensee shall remain suitable for licensure.
6. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
7. The licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) and/or 935 CMR 501.105(1) after effectuating the change, if applicable, and shall give Commission staff adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.



**Sira Naturals, Inc.**  
**0291-COO-03-0724**

**CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OVERVIEW**

1. Licensee Information:

|                                |                     |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Licensee Business Name:</b> | Sira Naturals, Inc. |
| <b>Licensee d/b/a Name:</b>    | N/A                 |

2. License(s) Affected by this Change Request:

| <b>License Number</b> | <b>License Type</b>            |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| MC281252              | Marijuana Cultivator           |
| MP281303              | Marijuana Product Manufacturer |

3. The licensee has paid the applicable fees for this change request.

4. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Persons Having Direct or Indirect Control:

| <b>Individual</b> | <b>Role</b>                            |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------|
| John Rogue        | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |
| Carl Boisvert     | Person with Direct or Indirect Control |

5. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Entities Having Direct or Indirect Control:

| <b>Entity</b>       | <b>Role</b>                            |
|---------------------|----------------------------------------|
| M1 Enterprises, LLC | Entity with Direct or Indirect Control |

6. Background checks were conducted on all proposed parties and no suitability issues were discovered.

7. The proposed parties do not appear to have exceeded any ownership or control limits over any license type.



8. Commission staff conducted an organizational and financial inspection into the parties associated with this request and found no issues or inconsistencies with the information provided to the Commission.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Commission staff recommend review and decision on the request for change of ownership and control, and if approved, request that the approval be subject to the following conditions:

1. The licensee and proposed parties may now effectuate the approved change.
2. The licensee shall notify the Commission when the change has occurred.
3. The licensee shall submit a change of name request following this approval if any business or doing-business-as names associated with the license(s) will require modification.
4. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
5. The licensee shall remain suitable for licensure.
6. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
7. The licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) and/or 935 CMR 501.105(1) after effectuating the change, if applicable, and shall give Commission staff adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.



## MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT RENEWALS

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

COMMISSION MEETING: APRIL 10, 2025

#### **RENEWAL OVERVIEW**

1. Name, license number, renewal application number, host community, and funds deriving from a Host Community Agreement allocated for the municipality for each Marijuana Establishment presented for renewal:

|    | Licensee Name                | License Number | Renewal Application Number | Location    |
|----|------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| 1  | 686 Cultivation LLC          | MC283899       | MCR140900                  | Tewksbury   |
| 2  | 686 Cultivation LLC          | MP282298       | MPR244309                  | Tewksbury   |
| 3  | Agricultural Healing, Inc.   | MR283027       | MRR207176                  | Fall River  |
| 4  | Agricultural Healing, Inc.   | MP281769       | MPR244301                  | Fall River  |
| 5  | Agricultural Healing, Inc.   | MC282370       | MCR140886                  | Fall River  |
| 6  | Apical, Inc.                 | MR281246       | MRR207216                  | Easthampton |
| 7  | Apical, Inc.                 | MR283720       | MRR207215                  | Northampton |
| 8  | CNA Stores, Inc.             | MR282576       | MRR207235                  | Amesbury    |
| 9  | CNA Stores, Inc.             | MR283460       | MRR207240                  | Boston      |
| 10 | Essex Apothecary, Inc.       | MR283192       | MRR207224                  | Lynn        |
| 11 | Evergreen Strategies, LLC.   | MR283100       | MRR207078                  | Belchertown |
| 12 | Impressed LLC                | MC282148       | MCR140831                  | Hanson      |
| 13 | KG Collective Cambridge, LLC | MR284181       | MRR207201                  | Cambridge   |
| 14 | KG Collective LLC            | MR284224       | MRR207001                  | Boston      |
| 15 | KindRun Massachusetts, LLC   | MD1270         | MDR272581                  | Hudson      |
| 16 | Lemonnade Springfield, LLC   | MR284253       | MRR207172                  | Springfield |
| 17 | NS AJO Holdings Inc.         | MR282236       | MRR207218                  | Fitchburg   |
| 18 | Sanctuary Medicinals, Inc.   | MR281950       | MRR207180                  | Brookline   |

2. All licensees have submitted renewal applications pursuant to 935 CMR 500.103(4) which include the licensee's disclosure of their progress or success towards their Positive Impact and Diversity Plans.



3. All licensees have submitted documentation of good standing from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, Department of Revenue, and Department of Unemployment Assistance, if applicable.
4. All licensees provided a compliant HCA or HCA Waiver, that was accepted by Commission staff pursuant to 935 CMR 500.180(3).
5. All licensees have paid the appropriate annual license fee.
6. The licensees, when applicable, have been inspected during the current renewal period.
7. Commission staff certify that, to the best of our knowledge, no information has been found that would prevent renewal of the licenses mentioned above pursuant to 935 CMR 500.450.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Commission staff recommend review and decision on the above-mentioned licenses applying for renewal, and if approved, request that the approval be subject to the licensee remaining in compliance with the Commission regulations and applicable law.



## **MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT CENTER RENEWALS**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**COMMISSION MEETING: APRIL 10, 2025**

#### **RENEWAL OVERVIEW**

1. Name, license number, host community, for each Medical Marijuana Treatment Center presented for renewal:

|    | Licensee Name      | License Number | Host Community (Cultivation) | Host Community (Dispensing) |
|----|--------------------|----------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 19 | KRD Growers, LLC   | RMD3322        | Clinton                      | Clinton                     |
| 20 | The Botanist, Inc. | RMD905         | Sterling                     | Worcester                   |

2. All licensees have submitted renewal applications pursuant to 935 CMR 501.100(5).
3. All licensees have paid the appropriate annual license fee.
4. All licensees provided a compliant HCA or HCA Waiver, that was accepted by Commission staff pursuant to 935 CMR 500.180(3).
5. The licensees, when applicable, have been inspected during the current renewal period.
6. Commission staff certify that, to the best of our knowledge, no information has been found that would prevent renewal of the licenses mentioned above pursuant to 935 CMR 501.405.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Commission staff recommend review and decision on the above-mentioned licenses applying for renewal, and if approved, request that the approval be subject to the licensee remaining in compliance with the Commission regulations and applicable law.



## Pure Framingham, Inc.

MR285279

### **ESTABLISHMENT OVERVIEW**

1. Name and address of the Marijuana Establishment:

|                                |                                         |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| <b>Licensee Business Name:</b> | Pure Framingham, Inc.                   |
| <b>Licensee d/b/a Name:</b>    | Smyth Cannabis Co.                      |
| <b>Licensed Location:</b>      | 85 Worcester road, Framingham, MA 01702 |

2. Type of final license sought (if cultivation, its tier level and outside/inside operation):

|                                |
|--------------------------------|
| <b>License Type(s) Sought:</b> |
| Marijuana Retailer             |

3. The licensee is associated with the following license type(s):

The licensee is not associated with any other license applications or licenses.

### **LICENSING OVERVIEW**

4. The licensee was approved for provisional licensure for the above-mentioned license(s) on February 13, 2025.
5. The licensee has paid all applicable license fees.
6. No new information has been reported to Commission staff regarding the organizational structure of the entity since the issuance of the provisional license(s).
7. No new information has been discovered by Commission staff regarding the suitability of the licensees previously disclosed since the issuance of the provisional license(s).

### **INSPECTION OVERVIEW**

8. Commission staff inspected the licensee's facility on the following date(s): March 5, 2025.

Final License Executive Summary 1



9. The licensee's facility was inspected by Commission staff and found to be in full compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable.
10. No evidence was discovered during the inspection(s) that indicated the licensee was not in compliance with all applicable state laws and local bylaws or ordinances.
11. Specific information from Commission staff's inspection is highlighted below:

- a. Security

Enforcement staff verified that all security-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. The security of all entrances and exits;
- ii. Visitor procedures;
- iii. Limited access areas;
- iv. Verification of a primary and back-up security company;
- v. Presence of perimeter and duress alarms; and
- vi. All cameras complied with Commission requirements.

- b. Inventory and Storage

Enforcement staff verified that all inventory-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Secure storage of marijuana and marijuana products;
- ii. Sanitation and pest control measures; and
- iii. Inventory controls and procedures.

- c. Cultivation Operation

Not applicable.

- d. Product Manufacturing Operation

Not applicable.

- e. Retail Operation

Enforcement staff verified that all retail-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Verification of identifications for access;
- ii. Layout of the sales floor; and
- iii. Availability and contents of adult-use consumer education materials.



f. Transportation

The licensee will not be performing transportation activities at this time.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Commission staff recommend final licensure with the following conditions:

1. The licensee may possess and otherwise acquire marijuana, but shall not dispense, sell, or otherwise transport marijuana to other Marijuana Establishments, or to consumers, until upon inspection, receiving permission from the Commission to commence full operations.
2. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
3. The licensee remains suitable for licensure.
4. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
5. Licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) prior to the issuance of a commencement of operations and that Commission staff be given adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.

The licensee has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the licensee is recommended for final licensure.

As part of the approval of final licensure, the Commission authorizes staff to take all necessary actions to review compliance with the above-referenced conditions and to approve the commencement of operations.



**Holbrook Grow, LLC**  
MCN283962

**APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW**

1. Name, address, and license type(s) sought of the proposed License Applicant:

|                                         |                               |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>License Applicant Business Name:</b> | Holbrook Grow, LLC            |
| <b>Proposed Location:</b>               | 1 Mear Rd, Holbrook, MA 02343 |

Type of final license sought (if cultivation, its tier level and outside/inside operation):

|                                                                |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>License Type(s) Sought:</b>                                 |
| Marijuana Cultivator, Tier 3, Indoor (10,001 – 20,000 sq. ft.) |

2. The license applicant is associated with the following license type(s):

The license applicant is not associated with any other license applications or licenses.

3. List of all required individuals and their roles:

| Individual  | Role                                                        |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Kobie Evans | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor |

4. List of all required entities and their roles:

No other entity appears to have ownership or control over this license applicant business.

5. License Applicant's Status:

Economic Empowerment Priority Applicant  
Kobie Evans / 100% / EE201868

6. The license applicant and host community executed a Host Community Agreement ("HCA") on November 21, 2024. The license applicant submitted or resubmitted their application on or after March 1, 2024 and provided a compliant HCA that was certified by Commission staff pursuant to 935 CMR 500.180(3) and/or comparable medical regulations.



7. The Commission sent a municipal notice with a copy of the application to the host community on February 19, 2025. The Commission did not receive a response within 30 days pursuant to 935 CMR 500.102(1)(d)(2).
8. The license applicant proposed the following goals for its Positive Impact Plan:

| # | Goal                                                                                                                                                                              |
|---|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | The license applicant proposes to donate \$50,000, annually, to Haley House's reentry programs.                                                                                   |
| 2 | The license applicant proposes to establish a formal partnership with Haley house to identify additional support opportunities, such as volunteer work or joint community events. |

### **BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW**

9. There were no disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions.
10. There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.

### **MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS PROFILE REVIEW**

11. The license applicant submitted all required summaries of plans, policies, and procedures for the operation of the proposed establishment. The summaries were determined to be substantially compliant with the Commission's regulations.
12. The license applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

| # | Goal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|---|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | The license applicant proposes to hire the following: 50% Women, 20% People of color, particularly Black, African American, Hispanic, Latinx, and Indigenous peoples, 20% Veterans, 10% Persons with Disabilities, and 20% LGBTQ+ People.                                            |
| 2 | The license applicant proposes to partner with vendors and suppliers who are from the following: 50% Women, 20% People of color, particularly Black, African American, Hispanic, Latinx, and Indigenous peoples, 20% Veterans, 10% Persons with Disabilities, and 20% LGBTQ+ People. |

### **PROVISIONAL LICENSE CONDITIONS**

Commission staff has reviewed the application for compliance with applicable laws and regulations and are presenting it for the Commission's review and vote.



1. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee within 90 days of an affirmative vote of the Commission pursuant to 935 CMR 500.103(1)(e) and 935 CMR 501.103(1)(d)
2. Provisional licensure does not allow the license holder to cultivate, manufacture, or possess marijuana and/or marijuana infused products (MIPs) prior to being approved for a final license.



## CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION 2025/2026 ED/COMMISSIONER/CHIEFS GOALS

### GOAL #1

- Prepare the Commission's draft governance charter for final discussion and vote at a Public Meeting. If approved, staff shall evaluate and update, where necessary, Commission policies and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) to accommodate any necessary changes.

### GOAL #2

- Collaborate with Commissioners, Chief Financial and Accounting Officer (CFAO) and key Commission staff to advocate for the Commission's Fiscal Year 2026 budget, including components of the March 2025 letter from the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) where the Commission will require additional resources (i.e. IT Infrastructure improvements).

### GOAL #3

- Schedule and ED's/Chair's first full meeting of the Cannabis Advisory Board.

### GOAL #4

- In collaboration with Commissioners and staff, work to conclude implementation of Chapter 180 of the Acts of 2022.

### GOAL #5

- Establish a working group to include at least one Commissioner to take necessary steps to ensure the long-term success of the Commission's Medical use of Marijuana Program to include, but not be limited to:
  - Engaging stakeholders and collecting data (e.g. earlier surveys and listening session comments) from patients to assess current and future programmatic needs and patient utilization
  - Evaluating the removal of vertical integration requirements (through statute, or regulations, or both) and
  - Presenting options that focus on the expansion of patient access, building longevity into the program to support meaningful patient outcomes, and inform Commissioners and the public at Commission's Public Meetings.

| <b>2025 Full Year Goals (Note that Full Year Goals may be Impacted by the FY2026 budget)</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| <b>GOAL #6</b>                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| ➤                                                                                            | Continue Commission's collaboration and engagement with regulated Independent Testing Laboratories (ITLs), the Cannabis Advisory Board (CAB), fellow regulators, and other industry and scientific experts/leaders, with the goal of improving lab testing guidelines and safeguarding products and take steps to implement any necessary changes. Continue to evaluate the options for a CCC managed reference lab.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>GOAL #7</b>                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| ➤                                                                                            | Become the model for modern, inclusive government in terms of our organizational culture. Seek opportunities, programs, development activities that build on existing DEIJB initiatives to continue to foster a respectful, collaborative, diverse, and positive workplace environment, that positions the Cannabis Control Commission as a "top, sought after" place to work.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>GOAL #8</b>                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|                                                                                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Take necessary steps to create the Center for Cannabis Research and Policy, the first state-led Cannabis Research Center of Excellence, to support ongoing data collection and research work of the Commission;</li> <li>○ Expand the Open Data Platform and data infrastructure to make data available to external parties; and,</li> <li>○ Enhance efforts to track ongoing developments within the adult use and medical programs that inform policymaking efforts.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>GOAL #9</b>                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| ➤                                                                                            | Develop an actionable 5 year strategic plan for equity programming that outlines measurable goals, key performance indicators, and success metrics, to provide data-informed programming outcomes, targeted community outreach initiatives, a comprehensive educational platform, and resources designed to support and meet the evolving needs of equity participants, disproportionately impacted communities, as well as communities identified in the Leadership Ratings. The plan will establish a robust framework for focused participant satisfaction, progress, and identifiable outcomes, as well as monitoring licensees' equity goals and demonstrated advancements. The finalized strategic plan will be presented for Commissioner review and consideration at a future Public Meeting. |
| <b>GOAL #10</b>                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| ➤                                                                                            | Partner with Commissioners and CCC leadership to consider regulatory changes that address industry challenges, make regulatory compliance efforts of the Commission more efficient and other changes to modernize Commission                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

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| regulations. Partner with the Joint Committee on Cannabis Policy to collaborate on policy matters that require mutual action and ensure that the Commission's capacity for regulatory changes is leveraged with planned Legislative changes from the Joint Committee.                             |
| <b>GOAL #11</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| ➤ Complete the final promulgation of Social Consumption regulations, including the development of metrics and measurable goals for evaluating equity in the Social Consumption license type and establish benchmark data to assess consumer behavior with the introduction of Social Consumption. |
| <b>GOAL #12</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| ➤ As Administrative Head of the Agency, evaluate organizational structure to ensure that limited budget resources are deployed in the appropriate ways to meet the Commission's goals and objectives and maximize efficiencies.                                                                   |

**G.L. c. 94G, G.L. c. 94I**

**935 Code Mass. Regs. §§ 500.105, 500.120, 500.130, 500.140, 500.141, 500.146, 500.147, 500.160, 500.200 and**

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**Administrative Order Requiring Licensees to Upload Certificates of Analysis in Metrc**

The Cannabis Control Commission (“Commission”), acting through its Executive Director, hereby issues this Administrative Order No. 5 (“Administrative Order”) to ensure transparent and consistent reporting of compliance test results for Marijuana and Marijuana Products sold or otherwise marketed to Patients and Consumers consistent with its statutory mandate under G.L. c. 94G and G.L. c. 94I, and applicable adult- and medical-use regulations, 935 Code Mass. Regs. (CMR) §§ 500.000 and 501.000.

The Commission, acting through its Executive Director, hereby **ORDERS** as follows:

This Administrative Order requires all licensed Independent Testing Laboratories (“ITLs”) to upload all certificates of analysis (“COA”) to Metrc’s Seed-to-Sale System of Record (“SOR”), for all testing performed on behalf of Marijuana Establishments (“ME”) and Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers (“MTC”) in accordance with 935 CMR 500.160, 935 CMR 501.160, and the *Protocol for the Sampling and Analysis of Finished Marijuana Products and Marijuana Products for Marijuana Establishments, Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers, and Colocated Marijuana Operations* and associated exhibits (collectively, the “Protocol”). In compliance with this Order:

1. ITLs shall begin simultaneously reporting results and uploading COAs to Metrc, the Commission’s seed-to-sale system of record within sixty (60) days after the effective date of this Administrative Order, until its rescission or amendment.
2. ITLs shall report the measured concentration for each analyte detected during the course of Marijuana or Marijuana Product testing on the COA and in the Commission’s seed-to-sale system of record.
3. ITLs shall identify the analytical method utilized for each test as a reference to the ITL’s applicable written operating procedure outlining the method (*i.e.*, Lab SOP #), and as a description of the method shall include (*e.g.*, HPLC, LC-MS, etc.), as well as the name of the ITL agent that oversaw the analysis (*i.e.*, “Analyst”). The method, Lab SOP, and analyst shall be reported in the COA accompanying the reported results for each compliance test category.
4. An ITL with an approved hardship subcontracting request is responsible for the creation of the final COA which shall include tests results from the subcontractor. Tests performed by the approved subcontractor shall be clearly denoted on the COA. An ITL using the services of a subcontractor shall have procedures detailing the review of the subcontractor results for conformance and known data quality. The subcontractor is

required to report all compliance test results in compliance with ISO 17025:2017 requirements.

5. For purposes of this Administrative Order, a “kill-step” shall mean a treatment of a Marijuana batch conducted prior to compliance testing that is intended to significantly minimize microbiological contaminants in Marijuana and Marijuana Products.
6. MEs and MTCs shall disclose to the ITL if the Marijuana batch was subjected to a kill-step and what method was used.
7. ITLs shall indicate on the COA whether the source Marijuana batch was remediated or subjected to a kill-step, as well as the method used.
8. Failure to comply with the above conditions may result in disciplinary action against Licensees and its agents up to and including a fine, suspension, and/or revocation of licensure or registration.
9. Nothing herein shall be construed as precluding or limiting the Commission’s authority to take additional administrative action to protect the public health, safety, and welfare.
10. The provisions of this Administrative Order shall be severable. Should a court of competent jurisdiction declare any provision of this Order unconstitutional or invalid, the validity of the remaining provisions shall not be affected.

This Administrative Order No. 5 shall take effect on \_\_\_\_, 2025, at 12:00 A.M.

This Administrative Order No. 5 shall remain in effect until such time the Commission rescinds or amends this order. The Commission may amend or modify this order as applicable to individual Licensees, groups of Licensees, or all Licensees. The Commission may issue further technical bulletins or guidance documents to clarify required processes through the Seed-to-Sale System of Record.

Questions about this order may be directed in writing to the above address, by phone (744-415-0200) on Monday - Friday from 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M., or by email at [Testing@CCCMass.com](mailto:Testing@CCCMass.com).

Signed this \_\_\_\_ day of April 2025.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission

Travis Ahern, Executive Director



[Date]

Cannabis Control Commission  
Attn: Government Affairs and Policy  
Union Station  
2 Washington Square  
Worcester, MA 01604

Dear Cannabis Control Commission:

On behalf of [Municipality], I am writing to formally inform the Cannabis Control Commission that the [City/Town of Municipality], allows for the delivery of cannabis products within the borders of our municipality pursuant to 935 Code Mass. Regs. 500.145(1)(m)3.

Please let us know if you require additional documentation to ensure full compliance with the adult-use regulations 935 Code Mass. Regs. 500.000. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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## Memorandum

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**To:** Commissioners  
**Cc:** Travis Ahern, Executive Director  
**From:** Matt Giancola, Director of Government Affairs and Policy  
**Date:** April 13, 2025  
**Subject:** April 2025 Government Affairs Update

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### Legislative Update

Acting Chair Bruce Stebbins, Commissioner Kimberly Roy, Executive Director Travis Ahern, and Chief Financial and Accounting Officer Lisa Schlegel testified before the Joint Committee on Ways and Means to discuss the Commission's FY 2026 budget request.

### Municipal Update

Acting Chair Bruce Stebbins and staff from the Government Affairs and Policy and Legal Departments met with the Massachusetts Major Cities Chiefs Association to discuss social consumption and public safety concerns related to this license type.

### **Municipal Law Unit**

The Attorney General's Municipal Law Unit (MLU) [did not issue any marijuana related decisions](#) this past month.





# Cannabis Control Commission

Public Meeting

April 10, 2025 at 10:00 am

Hybrid via Microsoft Teams



# Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Commissioner Comments and Updates
3. Minutes
4. Executive Director and Commission Staff Report
5. Staff Recommendations on Changes of Ownership
6. Staff Recommendations on Renewal Licenses
7. Staff Recommendations on Provisional Licenses
8. Staff Recommendations on Final Licenses
9. Commission Discussion and Votes
10. New Business Not Anticipated at Time of Posting
11. Executive Session
12. Next Meeting Date
13. Adjournment



# Executive Director and Commission Staff Report

# Executive Director Report

- Third Annual State of Cannabis Legislative Briefing
  - April 29 at 10:00am in State House Room 428
  - Annual briefing to the Legislature on Commission activities and overview of agency Departments
  - Will share data, new developments, and offer legislators and staff the ability to engage with our team



# Executive Director Report – April 10

- Collaboration with State Agencies & Legislators
  - Appointing Authority Meetings
  - Committee Meetings – Co-Chair Daniel Donahue, Co-Chair Adam Gomez, Rep. Michael Soter
- Meeting Summary: Joint Committee on Cannabis Policy (April 9 meeting)
  - Next meeting in early May 2025
  - New Committee Rules (positively impacts timeline)
  - Commission – Regulatory Modernization Discussion
  - Legislative Working Group Charter
- NECANN Debrief
  - Notes



# Executive Director Report – April 10

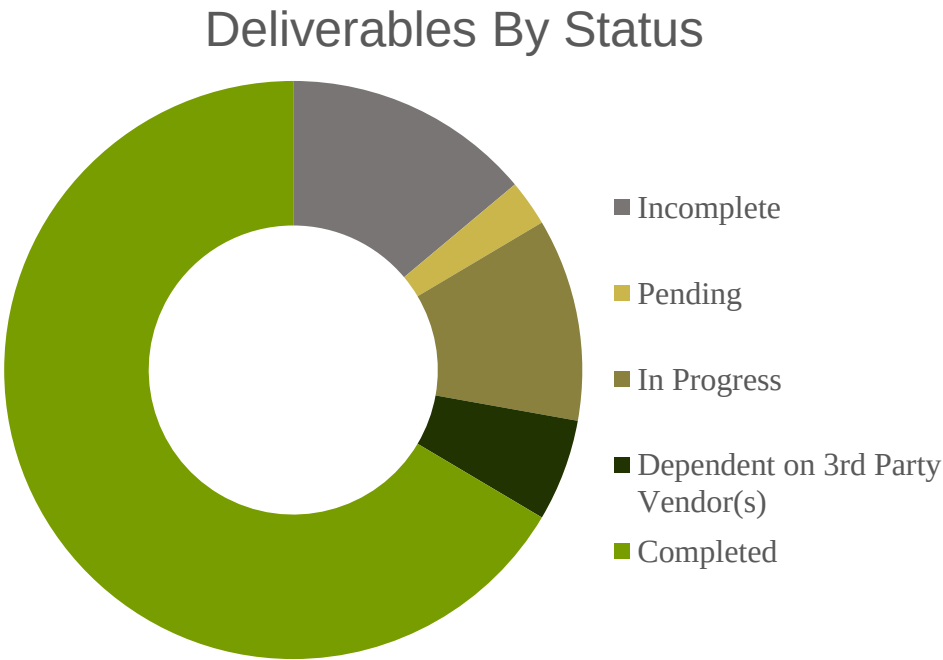
- JD Software Extension Executed (prior to expiration of 3/31)
  - Procurement schedule(s)
    - MassCIP (Licensing)
    - MMJOS (Medical Portal)
  - Implementation reliant on FY2026 budget allocation
- Response to OIG Letter (Received March 27) – within 30 days
  - 8 Recommendations
    - 1-3 – IT Infrastructure and Internal Control Capabilities
    - 4-5 – Governance
    - 6-8 – Accounts Receivable (Audit Recommendation)



# Chapter 180 Data Snapshot | Deliverables

Data snapshot showing progress on the Chapter 180 Implementation deliverables. In this context, “deliverables” mean the end work product (e.g., Model HCA Template). Please note, the deliverables fluctuate based on identified need.

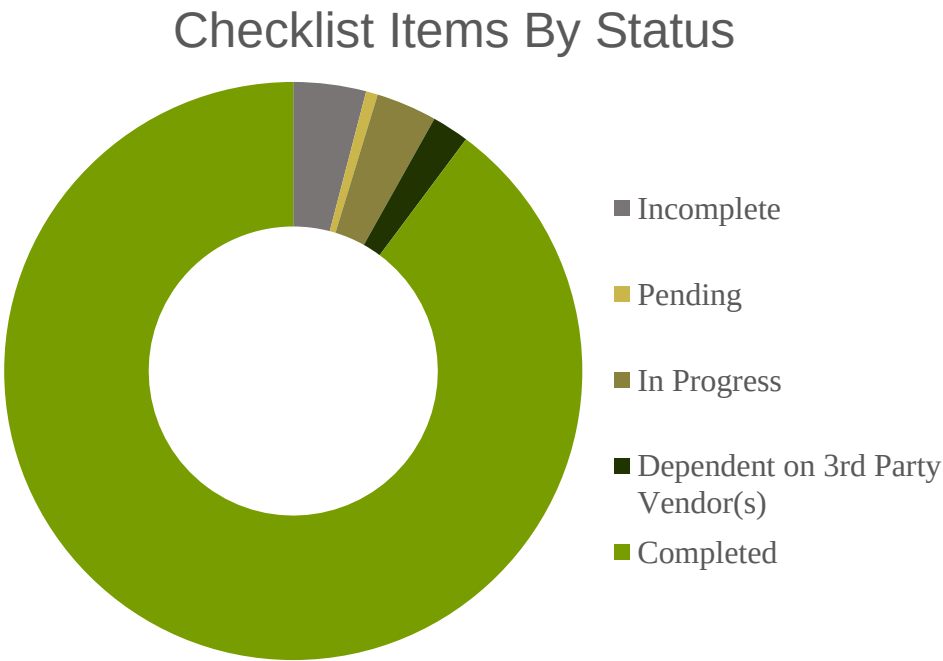
| Deliverables By Status                              | #          | %            |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------|--------------|
| Pending (yet to commence)                           | 9          | 3.2%         |
| In Progress                                         | 40         | 14.1%        |
| <i>Dependent on 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Vendor(s)</i>  | 20         | 7.1%         |
| <i>(40.7% out of Total Incomplete Deliverables)</i> |            |              |
| <b>Total Incomplete</b>                             | <b>49</b>  | <b>17.3%</b> |
| <b>Completed</b>                                    | <b>234</b> | <b>82.7%</b> |
| <b>Total Deliverables</b>                           | <b>283</b> |              |



# Chapter 180 Data Snapshot | Checklist Items

Data snapshot showing progress on the Chapter 180 Implementation checklist items. In this context, “checklist items” mean the individual work contribution to the end product (deliverable). (e.g., For the Model HCA Template, checklist items included the initial draft by the Enforcement Counsel team, review and editing by General Counsel team, formatting by the Digital Communication team, etc.).

| Checklist Items By Status                            | #           | %            |
|------------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Pending (yet to commence)                            | 11          | 0.7%         |
| In Progress                                          | 53          | 3.6%         |
| <i>Dependent on 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Vendor(s)</i>   | 32          | 2.2%         |
| <i>(50% out of Total Incomplete Checklist Items)</i> |             |              |
| <b>Total Incomplete</b>                              | <b>64</b>   | <b>4.3%</b>  |
| <b>Completed</b>                                     | <b>1409</b> | <b>95.1%</b> |
| <b>Total Checklist Items</b>                         | <b>1473</b> |              |





# Annual 4/20 Public Education Campaign

April 10, 2025

AnnMarie Burtt, Director of Digital and Creative Services

# 4/20 Annual Holiday

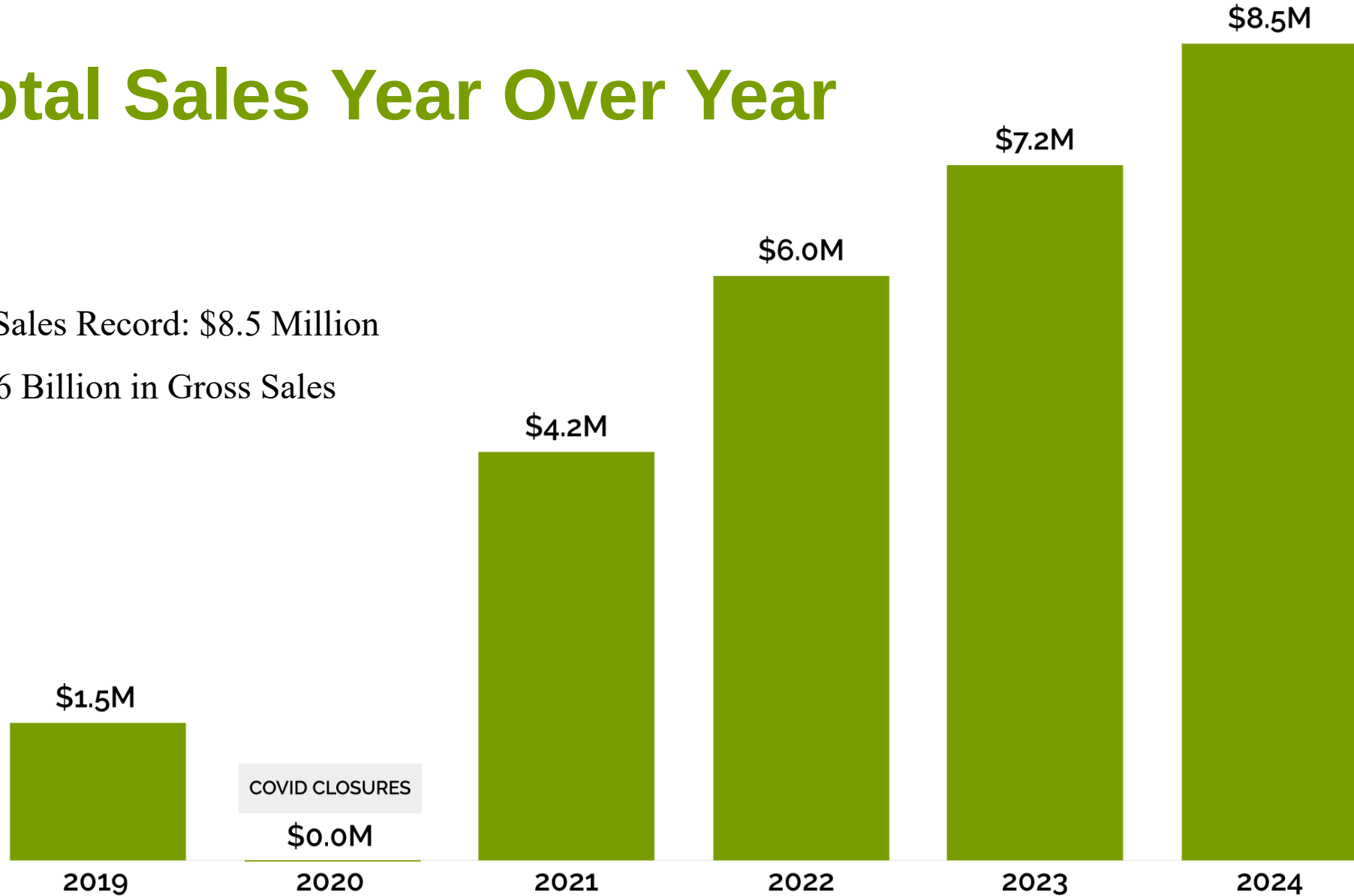
- April 20 (4/20) is an annual holiday based on the celebration of consumption of cannabis
- Cannabis-oriented observances and celebrations are held globally
- Highest single sales day of the year in Massachusetts
- Taking place Sunday April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025
  - Also Easter Sunday
  - Preceding Patriots' Day, April 21<sup>st</sup>



# 4/20 Total Sales Year Over Year

**2024**

- Single Day Sales Record: \$8.5 Million
- Surpassed \$6 Billion in Gross Sales



# 4/20 Public Education Campaigns

## 2024

- Promotion of educational materials available free of charge to Licensees at the Massachusetts Health Promotion Clearinghouse
- Understanding Labels Flyer
- Marijuana Products Flyer
- More About Marijuana Sticker
- Press Release, Emails, and Social Posts

## 2023

- “Promoting a Safe, Equitable, and Effective Cannabis Industry in Massachusetts” Video
- Press Release and Social Posts



Reminder: If you’re getting ready to celebrate 4/20 soon, please check out our public education website, [MoreAboutMJ.org](https://moreaboutmj.org), for tips and resources to understand what’s allowed under Massachusetts law and how to avoid certain risks. Helpful rack cards and other Commission resources can be ordered and downloaded for free by visiting the state’s Health Promotion Clearinghouse at <https://massclearinghouse.ehs.state.ma.us/category/CANNABIS.html>.

Get orders in by 4/12 to have them on hand this holiday!



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# 2024 4/20 Public Education Campaign



## Marijuana Products



**Flower**  
Marijuana flower refers to the parts of the cannabis plant harvested for consumption—buds, stems, seeds, and leaves. Flower is most often consumed by smoking.



**Concentrates**  
Concentrates are highly-potent forms of cannabis that come in a variety of styles. Because concentrates are so strong, it is important to consume them with caution.  
**Kief:** Also referred to as dry sift or pollen, kief consists of the tiny, crystal-like growths covering cannabis flower.  
**Hash:** Also known as hashish, hash is made from the resin of cannabis plants. Its consistency is usually dry, crumbly, and brick-like.  
**Butane Hash Oil (BHO):** This concentrate is produced by using butane to extract cannabinoids—chemical compounds like tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) and cannabidiol (CBD)—from cannabis plants. The consistency of BHO products can vary from a glasslike “shatter” to a soft wax.  
**CO2 Oil:** CO2 oil is produced by an extraction method that uses pressure and carbon dioxide to pull cannabinoids from cannabis plants. CO2 oil is usually consumed through portable vaporizer pens.  
**Rosin:** This solventless concentrate is produced using heat and pressure: two plates are pressed together to squeeze resinous sap out of trichomes. Consumers may vape, dab, or use rosin through other methods.



**Edibles**  
Edibles include products such as cookies, brownies, candies, and beverages that contain cannabis. It can take anywhere from roughly 30 minutes to four hours to feel the effects of an edible after consuming it, and those effects may last longer than expected. How edibles impact you depend on your metabolism, the amount you eat, and medications or alcohol used at the same time. The amount of cannabis in edibles also can differ product to product—for example, one cookie or brownie may contain multiple servings, so be sure to check the packaging for dosage information beforehand.  
Compared to smoking or vaporizing, eating or drinking cannabis products may have delayed effects. As a rule of thumb, start low, go slow, and make sure you wait until you feel the full effects of the product before you have more.  
Since marijuana-infused edibles look like regular food, it is especially important to keep them stored securely, locked and away from children and pets.

## Understanding Labels

In Massachusetts, all marijuana and marijuana products sold at licensed Marijuana Establishments and Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers (MTCs) must have labels.

Before you make a purchase, check for the information highlighted below to differentiate a state-regulated marijuana product from an unregulated one, or from a hemp-derived product that is not under the purview of the Cannabis Control Commission.

**Universal Symbols**

  All legal marijuana product packaging must have two symbols: A red triangle with a cannabis leaf indicating that the product contains tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), the mind-altering ingredient in cannabis, and a red octagon indicating the product is harmful to children.

**General Requirements**

Marijuana and marijuana product labels must include:

- The license number and contact information for the licensee that produced the product.
- The batch number, serial number, or bar code, as well as the date and results of testing.
- A list of ingredients, including but not limited to, the full cannabinoid profile expressed in absolute terms; and
- A warning related to health risks, including those associated with use while pregnant or breastfeeding, as well as a warning not to drive or operate machinery under the influence.



**Product-specific Requirements**

**Flower products** must denote the licensee that sold the product, as well as their contact information.

**Edibles, concentrates/extracts, tinctures, and topicals** must include the ingredient list and extraction method. They also must have serving size information, if applicable, directions for use, as well as whether an item was produced in a facility containing common allergens.

**Vaporizer products** must list information related to the use of additives and the source of any terpenes. A copy of the Certificate of Analysis (identifying the test results for any applicable thickening agent, thinning agent, or terpenes) must be available upon request at the time of sale.

**Reminder:** If someone in your home accidentally ingests marijuana:

 Serious reaction?  
Call 911

 Poison Control Hotline  
800-222-1222

 Pet Poison Hotline  
855-764-7661

**Learn more at [MoreAboutMJ.org](https://MoreAboutMJ.org)**

If you or someone you know needs help with a cannabis or other drug problem, call the Massachusetts Substance Use Helpline at 800-327-5050.  
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# 2025 4/20 Public Education Campaign

## Understanding Labels Video

- Based on the animation style of our More About Marijuana campaign.
- Video delivers the same information as the previous flyer in an adaptation that is more popular and consumable online.

## Understanding Cannabinoids Flyer

- Aims to educate the public on the most widely known and studied cannabinoids found listed on product labels by percentage and the basic differences of effects on the consumer.
- Will be available at the [Massachusetts Health Promotion Clearinghouse](#) as a digital download.

### Understanding Cannabinoids

#### Your Guide to Cannabis Compounds

Cannabis contains over 100 active chemical compounds called cannabinoids. Phytocannabinoids are the naturally occurring chemical compounds found mainly in cannabis that bind to receptors in the body's endocannabinoid system, influencing a variety of physiological processes like mood, appetite, pain, and memory.

The most widely known and studied cannabinoids are tetrahydrocannabinol (THC, also known as Delta-9-THC) and cannabidiol (CBD), but there are many other cannabinoids you may not know about, such as: THCA, THCV, CBDA, CBG, CBN, Delta-8-THC, and Delta-10-THC.

Cannabis product labels in Massachusetts are required to include the cannabinoid profile (i.e. the THC and CBD make-up) of each product, with specific percentages determined from testing.

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>THC</b><br>Tetrahydrocannabinol<br>THC is responsible for the "high" that many people experience when using cannabis. It can produce a sense of euphoria or intense happiness but has the most potential for misuse. | <b>THCA</b><br>Tetrahydrocannabinolic Acid<br>THCA is the acidic form of THC, which transforms into THC through a process called decarboxylation, usually through heat application or aging.             | <b>THCV</b><br>Tetrahydrocannabivarin<br>THCV is similar to THC but has unique effects, such as appetite suppression, energizing effects, and potential medical benefits like helping to regulate blood sugar levels and insulin production. |
| <b>CBD</b><br>Cannabidiol<br>CBD is non-psychoactive. It can change how the body feels pain and responds to inflammation from an injury or a health problem while also creating a feeling of relaxation.                | <b>CBDA</b><br>Cannabidiolic Acid<br>CBDA is the raw, acidic form of CBD. It doesn't produce the same effects as CBD until it undergoes decarboxylation.                                                 | <b>CBG</b><br>Cannabigerol<br>CBG is often referred to as the "mother cannabinoid" because it is the precursor to several other cannabinoids, including THC, CBD, CBC, and CBN.                                                              |
| <b>CBN</b><br>Cannabinol<br>CBN is a mildly psychoactive cannabinoid that is created when THC breaks down over time. This process happens as cannabis ages or when THC is exposed to heat or oxygen.                    | <b>Delta-8-THC</b><br>Tetrahydrocannabinol<br>Delta-8-THC is less potent and often produces milder effects. Delta-8-THC is typically manufactured through a chemical process to concentrate it from CBD. | <b>Delta-10-THC</b><br>Tetrahydrocannabinol<br>Delta-10-THC is synthetically derived in most cases. It is typically created by manipulating CBD (cannabidiol) extracted from hemp through a process called isomerization.                    |

Serious reaction?  
Call 911

Poison Control Hotline  
800-222-1222

Pet Poison Hotline  
855-764-7661

Learn more at [MoreAboutMJ.org](#)

If you or someone you know needs help with a cannabis or other drug problem, call the Massachusetts Substance Use Helpline at 800-327-6060.







# **Thank you to the following departments for their collaboration**

Investigations & Enforcement, Legal, Traditional  
Communications, and Digital and Creative Services



# Licensing Data Updates

# Highlights from Licensing Data

- 5 application awaiting first review
- 10 applications awaiting supplemental review
- 1 application for Provisional License consideration
- 1 licensee for Final License consideration
- 82,268 certified active patients



# Licensing Applications | April 10, 2025

*The totals below are number of approvals by stage.*

| Type                                          | #            |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Pre-Certified/Delivery Endorsed Microbusiness | 225          |
| Provisionally Approved                        | 134          |
| Provisional License                           | 487          |
| Final License                                 | 46           |
| Commence Operations                           | 731          |
| <b>Total</b>                                  | <b>1,623</b> |

➔ + 13.9%

\* Note: This represents the percent increase since April 2024.

*Provisionally approved means approved by the Commission but has not submitted license fee payment yet – provisional license has not started*



# Licensing Applications | April 10, 2025

| Type                                                 | Pending Application | Pre-Certified Endorsement | Initial License Declined | Provisionally Approved | Provisional License | Final License | Commence Operation | Total        |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Craft Marijuana Cooperative                          | 2                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 4                   | 0             | 0                  | 6            |
| Marijuana Courier License                            | 12                  | N/A                       | 0                        | 4                      | 12                  | 3             | 10                 | 41           |
| Marijuana Courier Pre-Certification                  | 19                  | 105                       | 0                        | N/A                    | N/A                 | N/A           | N/A                | 124          |
| Independent Testing Laboratory                       | 1                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 2                      | 2                   | 0             | 16                 | 21           |
| Marijuana Cultivator                                 | 47                  | N/A                       | 2                        | 41                     | 189                 | 13            | 144                | 437          |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator License                  | 12                  | N/A                       | 0                        | 6                      | 19                  | 0             | 18                 | 55           |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator Pre-Certification        | 11                  | 115                       | 0                        | N/A                    | N/A                 | N/A           | N/A                | 126          |
| Marijuana Microbusiness                              | 7                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 4                      | 16                  | 2             | 14                 | 43           |
| Marijuana Product Manufacturer                       | 35                  | N/A                       | 1                        | 41                     | 132                 | 18            | 121                | 351          |
| Marijuana Research Facility                          | 6                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 1                      | 0                   | 1             | 0                  | 8            |
| Marijuana Retailer                                   | 58                  | N/A                       | 2                        | 33                     | 109                 | 9             | 397                | 610          |
| Marijuana Transporter with Other Existing ME License | 4                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 2                      | 4                   | 0             | 4                  | 14           |
| Microbusiness Delivery Endorsement                   | 1                   | 5                         | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 2                  | 8            |
| Third Party Transporter                              | 11                  | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 5                  | 16           |
| Standards Laboratory                                 | 1                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 1            |
| <b>Total</b>                                         | <b>227</b>          | <b>225</b>                | <b>5</b>                 | <b>134</b>             | <b>487</b>          | <b>46</b>     | <b>731</b>         | <b>1,861</b> |



# Host Community Agreements Data | April 10, 2025

| Overview                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Total | SEP & EEA | DBE |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-----------|-----|
| The total number of applications received since March 1, 2024, containing an HCA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 913   | 147       | 99  |
| Number of Model HCAs received                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 237   | 23        | 28  |
| Compliant Model HCAs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 232   | 23        | 28  |
| Number of Model HCA Waivers received                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 105   | 18        | 9   |
| Compliant HCAs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 682   | 110       | 71  |
| Non-Compliant HCAs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 198   | 29        | 18  |
| <b>139 Towns with Compliant HCAs</b><br><i>Abington, Adams, Amesbury, Ashburnham, Ashby, Athol, Attleboro, Avon, Ayer, Barre, Belchertown, Belmont, Berkley, Bernardston, Beverly, Blackstone, Blandford, Bolton, Boston, Bourne, Bridgewater, Brimfield, Brockton, Brookfield, Brookline, Cambridge, Charlton, Chelsea, Cheshire, Chicopee, Clinton, Colrain, Cummington, Danvers, Dartmouth, Deerfield, Douglas, Dracut, Eastham, Easthampton, Egremont, Fairhaven, Fall River, Fitchburg, Framingham, Franklin, Gardner, Gill, Gloucester, Grafton, Great Barrington, Greenfield, Groton, Hadley, Halifax, Hanson, Hatfield, Haverhill, Holbrook, Holliston, Holyoke, Hopedale, Hudson, Hull, Kingston, Lakeville, Lee, Lenox, Littleton, Lowell, Lynn, Mansfield, Marblehead, Marlborough, Marshfield, Mashpee, Maynard, Medford, Medway, Melrose, Mendon, Merrimac, Middleborough, Milford, Millbury, Monson, Montague, Natick, Needham, New Bedford, Newton, North Adams, North Brookfield, Northampton, Norton, Norwood, Orange, Orleans, Palmer, Pittsfield, Plainfield, Plymouth, Quincy, Rehoboth, Rockland, Rowley, Royalston, Rutland, Salem, Sandisfield, Sharon, Sheffield, Shrewsbury, Somerville, Southwick, Springfield, Sterling, Sturbridge, Sunderland, Swansea, Taunton, Templeton, Tewksbury, Tyngsborough, Wakefield, Waltham, Ware, Wareham, Webster, Wellfleet, West Springfield, West Tisbury, Westfield, Whately, Whitman, Williamstown, Winchendon, Woburn, Worcester.</i> |       |           |     |



# Host Community Agreements Data | April 10, 2025

| HCA Review Status                                                 | Total |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Number of HCAs reviewed                                           | 908   |
| Number of HCAs currently under review                             | 22    |
| Number of Host Community Agreement Determination Notices sent out | 687   |

| Extensions                                                | Total |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Extension requests received                               | 1,521 |
| Extension requests that received conditional pre-approval | 67    |
| Extension requests granted                                | 1,496 |
| Average number of days requested                          | 87    |





# Staff Recommendations: Changes of Ownership

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1. Bask, Inc.
2. Cloud Creamery LLC
3. Curaleaf North Shore, Inc.
4. FCC Holdings LLC
5. Hadleaf Holistic Greens Dispensary
6. Sira Naturals, Inc





# Staff Recommendations: Licensing Renewals

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- 1.686 Cultivation LLC (#MCR140900)
- 2.686 Cultivation LLC (#MPR244309)
- 3.Agricultural Healing, Inc. (#MRR207176)
- 4.Agricultural Healing, Inc. (#MPR244301)
- 5.Agricultural Healing, Inc. (#MCR140886)
- 6.Apical, Inc. (#MRR207216)
- 7.Apical, Inc. (#MRR207215)
- 8.CNA Stores, Inc. (#MRR207235)
- 9.CNA Stores, Inc. (#MRR207240)
- 10.Essex Apothecary, Inc. (#MRR207224)
- 11.Evergreen Strategies, LLC. (#MRR207078)
- 12.Impressed LLC (#MCR140831)
- 13.KG Collective Cambridge, LLC (#MRR207201)
- 14.KG Collective LLC (#MRR207001)
- 15.KindRun Massachusetts, LLC (#MDR272581)
- 16.Lemonnade Springfield, LLC (#MRR207172)
- 17.NS AJO Holdings Inc. (#MRR207218)
- 18.Sanctuary Medicinals, Inc. (#MRR207180)
- 19.KRD Growers, LLC (#RMD3322)
- 20.The Botanist, Inc. (#RMD905)





# **Staff Recommendations: Provisional Licensure**

# Staff Recommendations: Provisional Licenses

1. Holbrook Grow, LLC (#MCN283962), Marijuana Cultivator, Tier 3, Indoor





# Staff Recommendations: Final Licensure

# Staff Recommendations: Final Licenses

1. Pure Framingham, Inc. (#MR285279), Marijuana Retailer





# Commission Discussion & Votes

# Commission Discussion and Votes

Executive Director Goals for CY 2025



# Commission Discussion and Votes

Overview of Hearing Officer Decision Process



# Social Equity Trust Fund Update

Cannabis Social Equity Trust Fund Overview

April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Silea Williams, Director of Equity Programming and Community Outreach  
Juan Vega, Assistant Secretary for Communities and Programs, EOED

# Cannabis Social Equity Trust Fund

The Cannabis Social Equity Trust Fund is administered by the Executive Office of Economic Development (EOED), in consultation with the Cannabis Social Equity Advisory Board.

## Establishment and Purpose:

- Created under Section 14A of Chapter 94G of the Massachusetts General Laws to promote full participation in the Commonwealth's regulated marijuana industry by entrepreneurs from communities disproportionately affected by marijuana prohibition and enforcement.
- Aims to provide financial assistance to eligible applicants.

## Grant Distribution:

**Immediate Needs Grant Program:** Launched in early 2024, this program provided up to \$50,000 in grant funds to eligible Social Equity and Economic Empowerment businesses with provisional or final licenses issued by the Cannabis Control Commission. A total of \$2.3 million was awarded to 50 businesses to support expenses such as payroll, rent, professional services, regulatory fees, and debt service.

**FY25 Social Equity Grant Program:** Announced in September 2024, this program offers grants to current and pre-licensed cannabis industry entrepreneurs. The program aims to address the financial needs of cannabis social equity businesses by providing grants to eligible Marijuana Establishments, Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers, as well as Pre-Licensed Cannabis Businesses. The grants range from \$25,000 to \$500,000, depending on the specific needs and qualifications of the applicants.

## Application Insights:

- Received **278 applications** requesting over **\$50 million** in funding during the recent application round.
- Awards granted to entrepreneurs from **32** different communities across Massachusetts.
- Notably, **10** of these communities are designated as Gateway Cities.



# Positive Impact Plans (PIP): Overview

A Positive Impact Plan (PIP) is a required plan by Marijuana Establishments to positively impact Areas of Disproportionate Impact (ADIs), which outlines goals, programs, and measurable outcomes the licensee will pursue once licensed. Mandated under **M.G.L. c. 94G, § 4(a½)(iv)** and Commission regulations.

## Fulfilling the Requirement

- Licensees may partially fulfill their PIP obligation by donating to the Cannabis Social Equity Trust Fund at any point after licensure.
- Additional Compliance Options (choose one or more):
  - **Educational Seminars:**  
Conduct 50 hours of training for residents of ADIs in areas like cultivation, manufacturing, retail, or cannabis business operations.
  - **Hiring Impacted Individuals:**  
Employ a majority workforce with past cannabis-related convictions or continuances without a finding under M.G.L. c. 94C.
  - **Revenue/Time Contribution:**  
Contribute at least 1% of gross revenue, or  
Ensure each staff member donates 20 paid hours annually to support disproportionately harmed communities.





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# Introduction to Metrc Retail ID

April 2025

# Background



Retailers, dispensaries, and state labeling requirements are evolving, and the industry must adapt efficiently.



Direct linkage to and more transparency of product information and COAs is increasing.



Strengthening consumer confidence, public health and safety, and compliance are critical to a successful industry.



# What is Retail ID?

Metrc's Retail ID is a **QR code** that, when scanned, provides supplemental product information, such as **origin** and **test results**, ultimately increasing **consumer confidence and education**.



# Retail ID makes it easy for consumers to identify legal products and learn more about them.



## COMBAT COUNTERFEITING

### Proof of Authenticity

QR codes act as both a visual and interactive stamp of compliance, allowing individuals to easily identify if a product is legal and regulated.



## PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH

### Product Recalls

Product recall warnings will be presented, when applicable, on the QR code landing page. Furthermore, if the user is registered, Retail ID will be able to send a push notification that a product has been recalled.



## INCREASE CONSUMER EDUCATION

### Supplemental Product Information

While labels have finite space, QR codes route to a digital page that can present supplemental information, like cannabinoids, terpenes, and photos, in an easily digestible format.

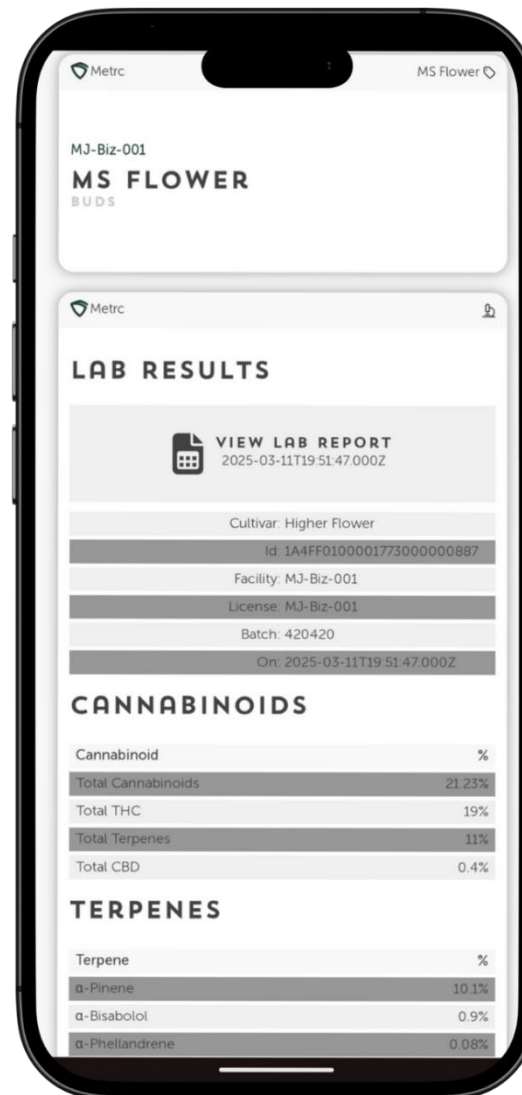
## Features

# Proof of Authenticity

Visually, a QR code provides reassurance that a product is legal and regulated.

And when scanned, it provides provenance and safety information that further validates the product.

These effects are amplified for both consumers and regulators since the data being returned is sourced directly from the state's official track and trace system.



# Retail ID also supports increased efficiency in policymaking and operations.



## Labeling efficiencies

Print Retail IDs directly through Metrc or via a third-party integration streamlining key data points sourced from the track and trace system into the QR codes



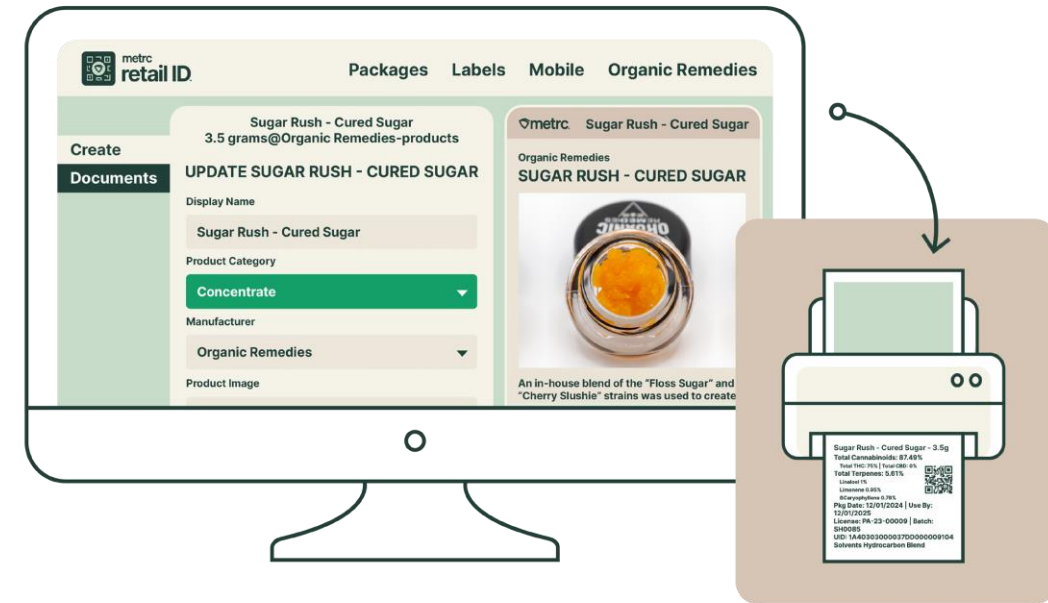
## Unified global products

Supply chain data efficiency and expansion becomes possible through standardized item-level identification.



## Improved inventory management

Retail ID codes can function as inventory identifiers eliminating the need for secondary labeling on inventory at retail stores.



# General Workflow

## How it works



### Cultivators & Manufacturers (Brands)



- ① Set up products and inventory in Metrc
- ② Generate and print a unique QR code in Metrc for each individual retail item
- ③ Affix a QR code to each item with before putting into a "Case Pack" (package)



### Transporters

Seamlessly move product through supply chain, facilitate compliance testing, and leverage Retail ID codes for inventory management



### Retailers

Receive transfers and scan each Case Pack (package) UID to access all related QR codes; scan QR codes at final sale through integration with POS

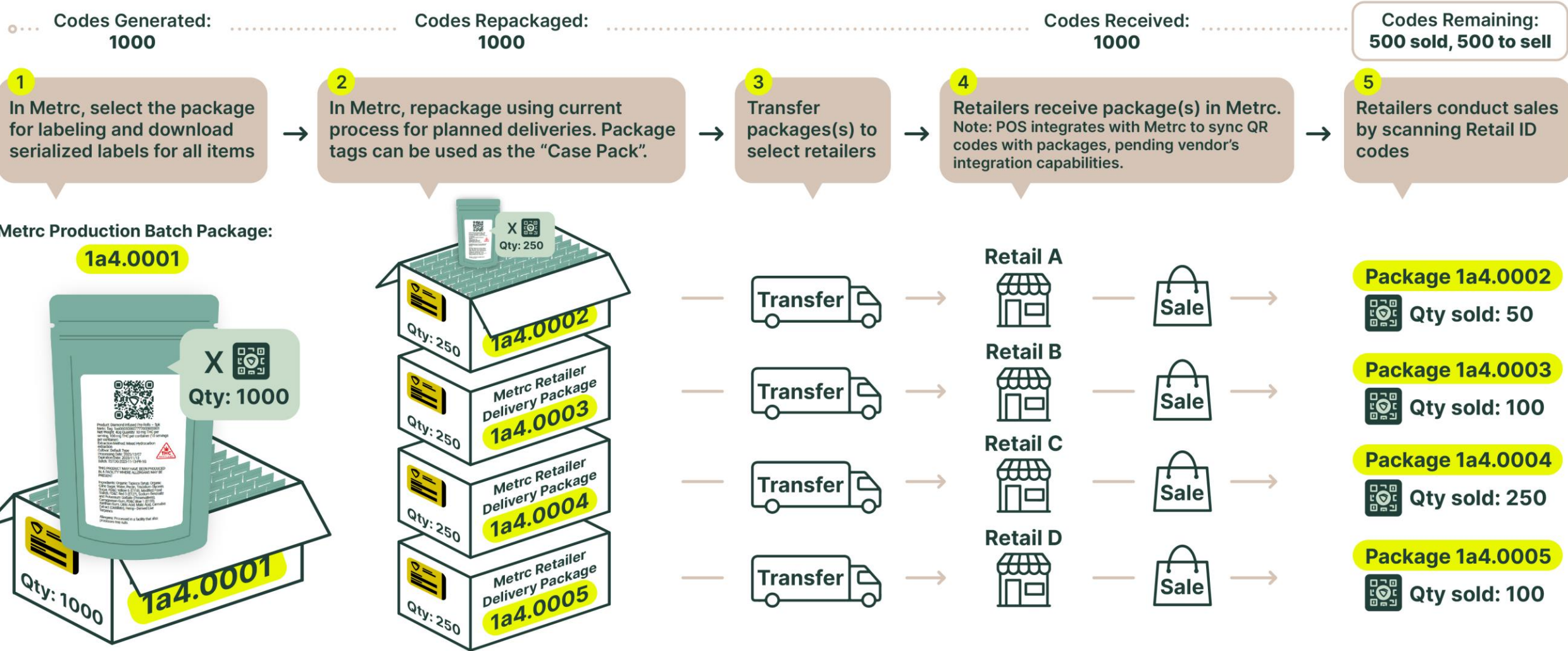


### Consumers

Scan QR code for product info, COA, ingredients, and more information – all automatically generated from the track-and-trace system



# How it works: Detailed Workflow





# How retail ID creates value

## Increases Public Health & Safety

**Provides proof of  
authenticity**

**Facilitates product  
recalls**

**Increases  
consumer  
transparency**

## Increases Regulatory Efficiency

Simplifies labeling  
requirements

Enables faster  
inspections

Standardized and  
credible product  
information

## Increases Licensee Efficiency

Easier to accept and  
manage inventory

More efficient labeling  
processes

Publicly accessible  
global product details

# Questions

# Thank you!

# Commission Discussion and Votes

Administrative Order Requiring Licensees to Upload Certificates of Analysis in METRC



# Commission Discussion and Votes

Delivery to Consumers in Restricted Municipalities Opt-In Template Form





**The Commission is in  
Executive Session**



# Upcoming Meetings & Adjournment

# Upcoming Meetings and Important Dates

## Next Meeting Dates

**April 16, 2025**

**April 17, 2025**

Regulatory Public Meeting  
Hyrbid via Teams  
10:00 am

**May 8, 2025**

Public Meeting  
Hyrbid via Teams  
10:00 am

*Public Meeting dates are tentative and subject to change*

### 2025 Public Meetings\*

|              |              |
|--------------|--------------|
| May 22       | September 23 |
| June 12      | October 9    |
| July 10      | October 23   |
| August 14    | November 13  |
| September 11 | December 11  |





# Additional Licensing Data

# Licensing Applications | April 10, 2025

*The totals below are all license applications received to date.*

| Type                                  | #             |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| Pending                               | 227           |
| Withdrawn                             | 1,488         |
| Incomplete                            | 8,400         |
| Denied                                | 5             |
| Approved: Delivery Pre-certifications | 220           |
| Approved: Delivery Endorsements       | 5             |
| Approved: Licenses                    | 1,384         |
| <b>Total</b>                          | <b>11,729</b> |



# Licensing Applications | April 10, 2025

*The totals below are number of licenses approved by category.*

| Type                                                 | #            |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Craft Marijuana Cooperative                          | 4            |
| Marijuana Courier                                    | 25           |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator                          | 37           |
| Independent Testing Laboratory                       | 20           |
| Marijuana Cultivator                                 | 387          |
| Marijuana Microbusiness                              | 36           |
| Marijuana Product Manufacturer                       | 311          |
| Marijuana Research Facility                          | 2            |
| Marijuana Retailer                                   | 547          |
| Marijuana Third Party Transporter                    | 5            |
| Marijuana Transporter with Other Existing ME License | 10           |
| <b>Total</b>                                         | <b>1,384</b> |



# Licensing Applications | April 10, 2025

| Status                                                             | #            |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Application Submitted: Awaiting Review                             | 5            |
| Application Reviewed: More Information Requested                   | 219          |
| Application Deemed Complete: Awaiting 3rd Party Responses          | 6            |
| All Information Received: Awaiting Commission Consideration        | 1            |
| Applications Considered by Commission (includes Delivery Pre-Cert) | 1,618        |
| <b>Total</b>                                                       | <b>1,849</b> |



# Licensing Applications | April 10, 2025

*The totals below are applications that have submitted all four packets and are pending review.*

| Type                                                     | #          |
|----------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Craft Marijuana Cooperative                              | 2          |
| Delivery-Only Provisional Licensure (Part 2)             | 12         |
| Delivery-Only Pre-Certification (Part 1)                 | 19         |
| Independent Testing Laboratory                           | 1          |
| Marijuana Cultivator                                     | 47         |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator Provisional License (Part 2) | 12         |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator Pre-Certification (Part 1)   | 11         |
| Marijuana Microbusiness                                  | 7          |
| Marijuana Product Manufacturer                           | 37         |
| Marijuana Research Facility                              | 6          |
| Marijuana Retailer                                       | 57         |
| Marijuana Transporter with Other Existing ME License     | 3          |
| Microbusiness Delivery Endorsement                       | 1          |
| Third Party Transporter                                  | 11         |
| Standards Laboratory                                     | 1          |
| <b>Total</b>                                             | <b>227</b> |



# Cultivation Applications | April 10, 2025

| Type                                                      | Pending Application | Initial License Declined | Provisionally Approved | Provisional License | Final License  | Commence Operation | Total             |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Microbusiness w/ Tier 1 Cultivation (up to 5,000 sq. Ft.) | 6                   | 0                        | 4                      | 16                  | 2              | 14                 | 42                |
| Cultivation Tier 1 (Up to 5,000 sq. ft.)                  | 14                  | 0                        | 3                      | 39                  | 6              | 26                 | 88                |
| Cultivation Tier 2 (5,001-10,000 sq. ft.)                 | 6                   | 0                        | 7                      | 60                  | 3              | 39                 | 115               |
| Cultivation Tier 3 (10,001-20,000 sq. ft.)                | 7                   | 2                        | 7                      | 43                  | 1              | 29                 | 89                |
| Cultivation Tier 4 (20,001-30,000 sq. ft.)                | 1                   | 0                        | 3                      | 12                  | 2              | 10                 | 28                |
| Cultivation Tier 5 (30,001-40,000 sq. ft.)                | 2                   | 0                        | 9                      | 6                   | 1              | 11                 | 29                |
| Cultivation Tier 6 (40,001-50,000 sq. ft.)                | 3                   | 0                        | 4                      | 7                   | 0              | 9                  | 23                |
| Cultivation Tier 7 (50,001-60,000 sq. ft.)                | 2                   | 0                        | 1                      | 4                   | 0              | 4                  | 11                |
| Cultivation Tier 8 (60,001-70,000 sq. ft.)                | 0                   | 0                        | 0                      | 1                   | 0              | 3                  | 4                 |
| Cultivation Tier 9 (70,001-80,000 sq. ft.)                | 3                   | 0                        | 1                      | 3                   | 1              | 1                  | 9                 |
| Cultivation Tier 10 (80,001-90,000 sq. ft.)               | 0                   | 0                        | 1                      | 0                   | 0              | 6                  | 8                 |
| Cultivation Tier 11 (90,001-100,000 sq. ft.)              | 9                   | 0                        | 5                      | 14                  | 0              | 6                  | 34                |
| <b>Total</b>                                              | <b>53</b>           | <b>2</b>                 | <b>45</b>              | <b>205</b>          | <b>16</b>      | <b>158</b>         | <b>479</b>        |
| <b>Total Maximum Canopy (Sq. Ft.)</b>                     | <b>1,820,000</b>    | <b>40,000</b>            | <b>1,625,000</b>       | <b>4,635,000</b>    | <b>270,000</b> | <b>4,030,000</b>   | <b>12,510,000</b> |

+75%

+9%

\* Note: percentage is of "Total" Cultivation commence operations licenses

\*\*Note: Totals under "Total Maximum Canopy" do not reflect current canopy in use; rather the maximum that could be in use



# Licensing Applications | April 10, 2025

| Type                           | Pending Application | Pre-Certified Endorsement | Initial License Declined | Provisionally Approved | Provisional License | Final License | Commence Operation | Total      |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------|--------------------|------------|
| Marijuana Cultivator (Indoor)  | 37                  | N/A                       | 1                        | 36                     | 171                 | 13            | 120                | <b>378</b> |
| Marijuana Cultivator (Outdoor) | 10                  | N/A                       | 1                        | 5                      | 18                  | 1             | 24                 | <b>59</b>  |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>47</b>           | <b>N/A</b>                | <b>2</b>                 | <b>41</b>              | <b>189</b>          | <b>14</b>     | <b>144</b>         | <b>437</b> |



# Licensing Applications | April 10, 2025

Of 1,618 applications approved by the Commission, the following applications have Economic Empowerment Priority Review, Social Equity Program Participant, and/or Disadvantaged Business Enterprise status. Please note, applicants may hold one or more statuses. **Please note that the end total represents the total number of applications/licenses at that step in the licensure process.**

| Type                                          | Economic Empowerment | Social Equity Program | Disadvantaged Business Enterprise | Total |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|-------|
| Pre-Certified/Delivery Endorsed Microbusiness | 44                   | 180                   | 30                                | 254   |
| Provisionally Approved                        | 8                    | 17                    | 22                                | 47    |
| Provisional License                           | 30                   | 89                    | 103                               | 222   |
| Final License                                 | 4                    | 5                     | 5                                 | 14    |
| Commence Operations                           | 31                   | 67                    | 93                                | 191   |
| Total                                         | 117                  | 358                   | 253                               | 728   |

+3.54%

+9.82%

+2.43%

\*Note: This represents the increase since April 2024



# Licensing Applications | April 10, 2025

*The totals below are distinct license numbers that have submitted all required packets.*

**The 1,849 applications represent 1,062 separate entities**

| Type                          | #            |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| MTC Priority                  | 260          |
| Economic Empowerment Priority | 137          |
| Expedited Review              | 711          |
| General Applicant             | 742          |
| <b>Total</b>                  | <b>1,849</b> |

| Type                                         | #          |
|----------------------------------------------|------------|
| Expedited: License Type                      | 79         |
| Expedited: Social Equity Participant         | 358        |
| Expedited: Disadvantaged Business Enterprise | 180        |
| Expedited: Two or More Categories            | 94         |
| <b>Total</b>                                 | <b>711</b> |



# Licensing Applications – EE Only | April 10, 2025

| Type                                                 | Pending Application | Pre-Certified Endorsement | Initial License Declined | Provisionally Approved | Provisional License | Final License | Commence Operation | Total      |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------|--------------------|------------|
| Craft Marijuana Cooperative                          | 0                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 0          |
| Marijuana Courier License                            | 4                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 4                   | 0             | 4                  | 12         |
| Marijuana Courier Pre-Certification                  | 3                   | 30                        | 0                        | N/A                    | N/A                 | N/A           | N/A                | 33         |
| Independent Testing Laboratory                       | 0                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 0          |
| Marijuana Cultivator                                 | 1                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 2                      | 6                   | 0             | 0                  | 9          |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator License                  | 1                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 3                   | 0             | 3                  | 7          |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator Pre-Certification        | 1                   | 14                        | 0                        | N/A                    | N/A                 | N/A           | N/A                | 15         |
| Marijuana Microbusiness                              | 0                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 0          |
| Marijuana Product Manufacturer                       | 1                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 3                      | 3                   | 0             | 3                  | 10         |
| Marijuana Research Facility                          | 1                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 1          |
| Marijuana Retailer                                   | 7                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 2                      | 13                  | 4             | 21                 | 47         |
| Marijuana Transporter with Other Existing ME License | 0                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 1                      | 1                   | 0             | 0                  | 2          |
| Microbusiness Delivery Endorsement                   | 0                   | 0                         | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 0          |
| Third Party Transporter                              | 1                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 1          |
| Standards Laboratory                                 | 0                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 0          |
| <b>Total</b>                                         | <b>20</b>           | <b>44</b>                 | <b>0</b>                 | <b>8</b>               | <b>30</b>           | <b>4</b>      | <b>31</b>          | <b>137</b> |



# Licensing Applications – SEP Only | April 10, 2025

| Type                                                 | Pending Application | Pre-Certified Endorsement | Initial License Declined | Provisionally Approved | Provisional License | Final License | Commence Operation | Total      |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------|--------------------|------------|
| Craft Marijuana Cooperative                          | 0                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 1                   | 0             | 0                  | 1          |
| Marijuana Courier License                            | 10                  | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 8                   | 3             | 6                  | 27         |
| Marijuana Courier Pre-Certification                  | 16                  | 74                        | 0                        | N/A                    | N/A                 | N/A           | N/A                | 90         |
| Independent Testing Laboratory                       | 0                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 0          |
| Marijuana Cultivator                                 | 5                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 5                      | 21                  | 0             | 8                  | 39         |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator License                  | 10                  | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 16                  | 0             | 16                 | 42         |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator Pre-Certification        | 10                  | 101                       | 0                        | N/A                    | N/A                 | N/A           | N/A                | 111        |
| Marijuana Microbusiness                              | 2                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 5                   | 0             | 2                  | 9          |
| Marijuana Product Manufacturer                       | 8                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 6                      | 17                  | 1             | 9                  | 41         |
| Marijuana Research Facility                          | 0                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 0          |
| Marijuana Retailer                                   | 21                  | N/A                       | 1                        | 5                      | 20                  | 1             | 22                 | 70         |
| Marijuana Transporter with Other Existing ME License | 1                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 1                      | 1                   | 0             | 2                  | 5          |
| Microbusiness Delivery Endorsement                   | 1                   | 5                         | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 2                  | 8          |
| Third Party Transporter                              | 5                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 5          |
| Standards Laboratory                                 | 0                   | N/A                       | 0                        | 0                      | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 0          |
| <b>Total</b>                                         | <b>89</b>           | <b>180</b>                | <b>1</b>                 | <b>17</b>              | <b>89</b>           | <b>5</b>      | <b>67</b>          | <b>448</b> |



# Non-Active Licenses By Stage | April 10, 2025

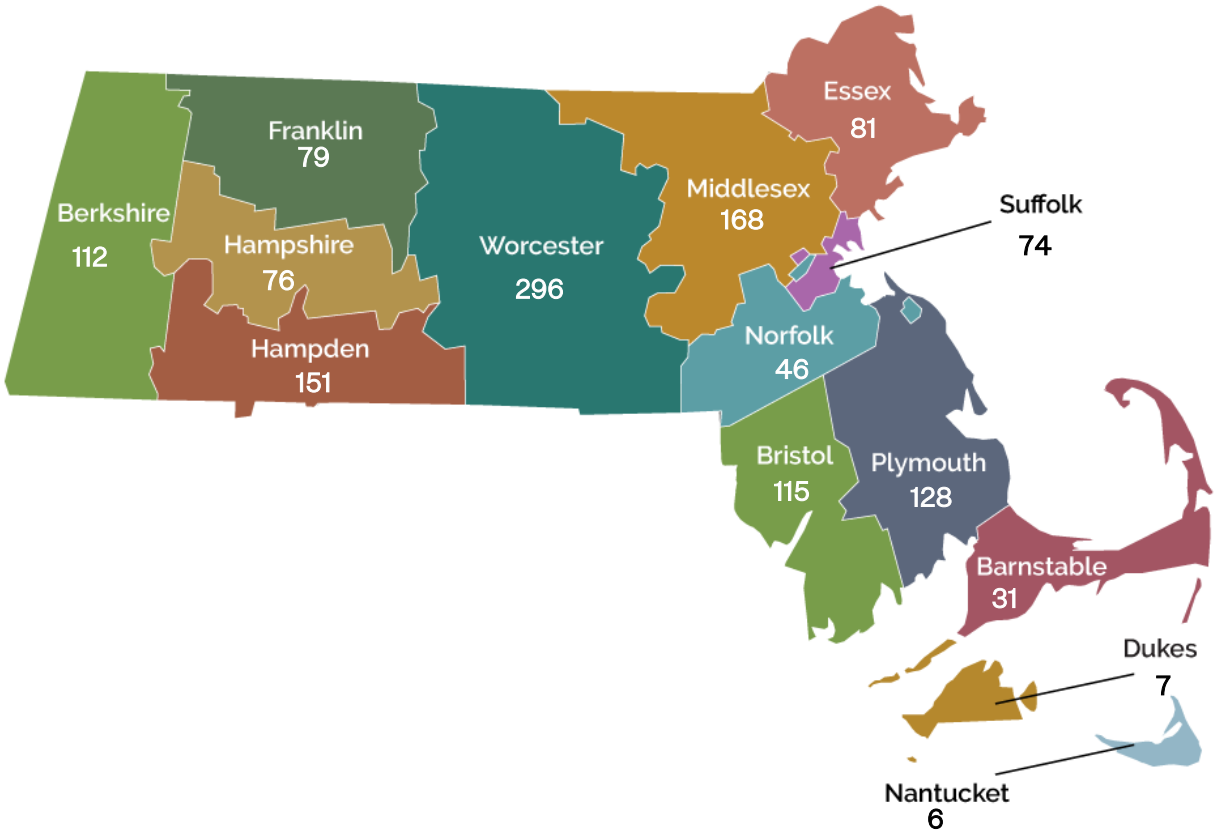
| Type                                                 | Provisional License | Final License | Commence Operation | Total      |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|--------------------|------------|
| Craft Marijuana Cooperative                          | 2                   | 0             | 0                  | 3          |
| Marijuana Courier License                            | 8                   | 1             | 4                  | 13         |
| Independent Testing Laboratory                       | 2                   | 0             | 2                  | 4          |
| Marijuana Cultivator                                 | 125                 | 3             | 17                 | 142        |
| Marijuana Delivery Operator License                  | 12                  | 0             | 2                  | 15         |
| Marijuana Microbusiness                              | 12                  | 0             | 2                  | 14         |
| Marijuana Product Manufacturer                       | 82                  | 4             | 17                 | 100        |
| Marijuana Research Facility                          | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 0          |
| Marijuana Retailer                                   | 55                  | 1             | 20                 | 72         |
| Marijuana Transporter with Other Existing ME License | 2                   | 0             | 0                  | 2          |
| Third Party Transporter                              | 0                   | 0             | 1                  | 1          |
| Standards Laboratory                                 | 0                   | 0             | 0                  | 0          |
| <b>Total</b>                                         | <b>300</b>          | <b>9</b>      | <b>65</b>          | <b>374</b> |



# Marijuana Establishment Licenses | April 10, 2025

*The totals below represent entities in each county that have achieved at least a provisional license*

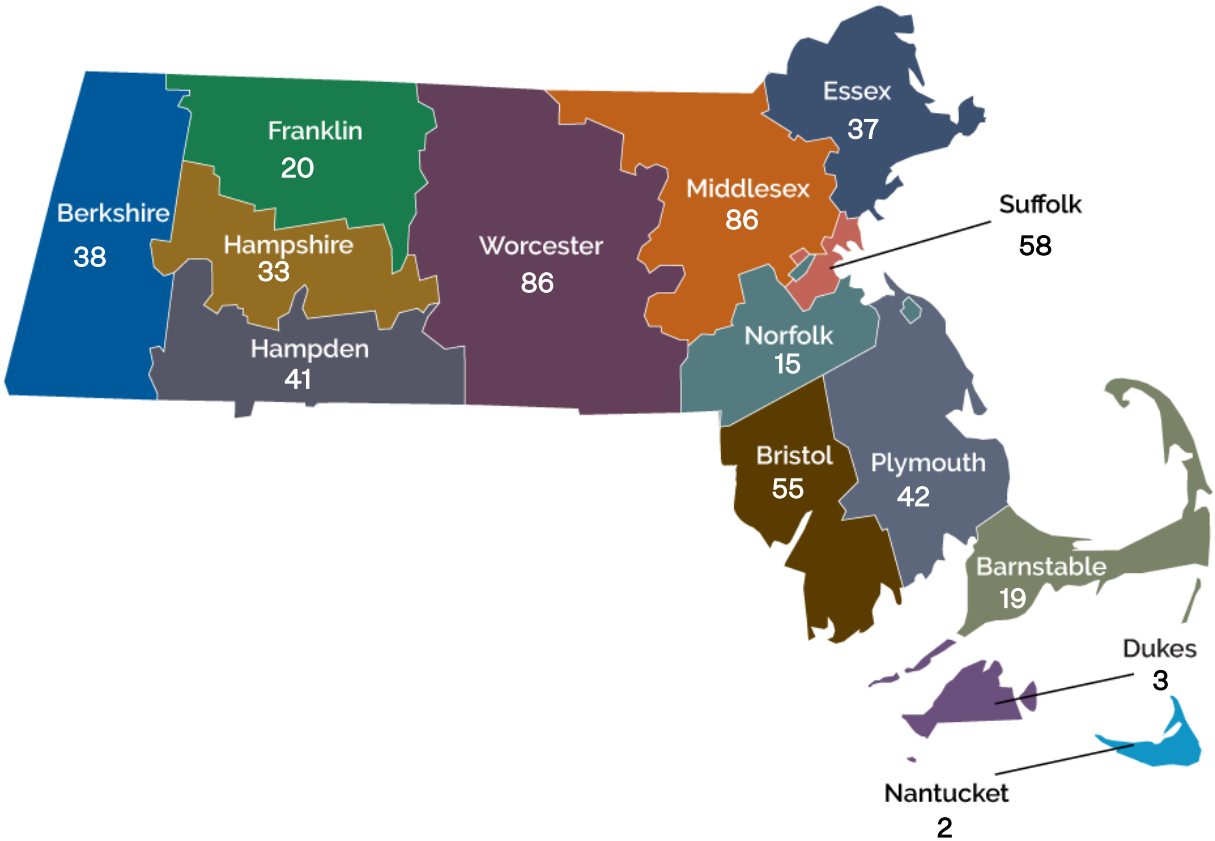
| County       | #            | +/-      |
|--------------|--------------|----------|
| Barnstable   | 31           | 0        |
| Berkshire    | 113          | 0        |
| Bristol      | 116          | 0        |
| Dukes        | 7            | 0        |
| Essex        | 82           | 0        |
| Franklin     | 79           | 0        |
| Hampden      | 152          | 0        |
| Hampshire    | 76           | 0        |
| Middlesex    | 172          | 0        |
| Nantucket    | 6            | 0        |
| Norfolk      | 46           | 0        |
| Plymouth     | 129          | 0        |
| Suffolk      | 78           | 1        |
| Worcester    | 297          | 0        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>1,384</b> | <b>1</b> |



# Marijuana Retailer Licenses | April 10, 2025

*The totals below are the total number of retail licenses by county.*

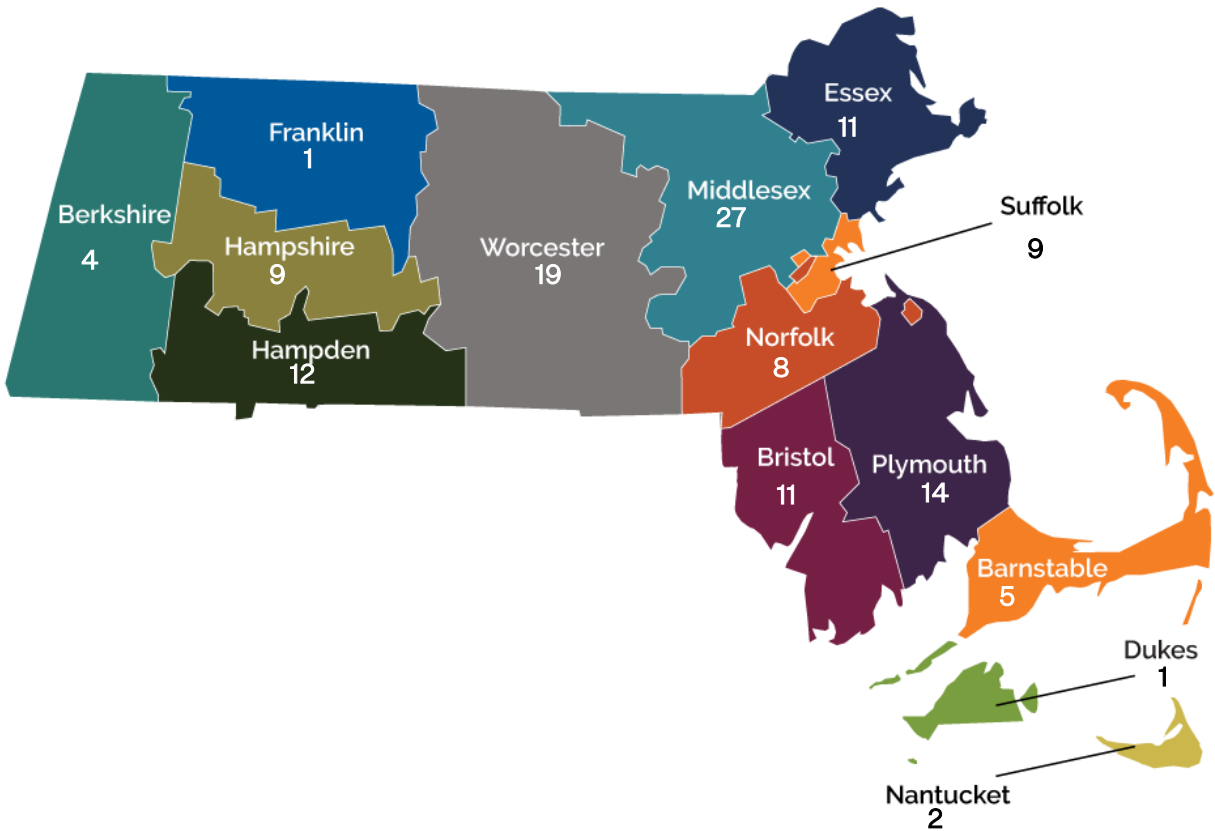
| County       | #          | +/-      |
|--------------|------------|----------|
| Barnstable   | 19         | 0        |
| Berkshire    | 40         | 1        |
| Bristol      | 56         | 0        |
| Dukes        | 3          | 0        |
| Essex        | 37         | 0        |
| Franklin     | 21         | 0        |
| Hampden      | 42         | 0        |
| Hampshire    | 33         | 0        |
| Middlesex    | 89         | 0        |
| Nantucket    | 2          | 0        |
| Norfolk      | 15         | 0        |
| Plymouth     | 43         | 0        |
| Suffolk      | 62         | 2        |
| Worcester    | 87         | 0        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>549</b> | <b>3</b> |



# Medical Marijuana Treatment Center Licenses (Dispensing) April 10, 2025

The totals below are the total number of MTC (Dispensing) licenses by county.

| County     | #   |
|------------|-----|
| Barnstable | 5   |
| Berkshire  | 4   |
| Bristol    | 11  |
| Dukes      | 1   |
| Essex      | 11  |
| Franklin   | 1   |
| Hampden    | 12  |
| Hampshire  | 9   |
| Middlesex  | 27  |
| Nantucket  | 2   |
| Norfolk    | 8   |
| Plymouth   | 14  |
| Suffolk    | 9   |
| Worcester  | 19  |
| Total      | 133 |



# MMJ Licensing and Registration Data | April 10, 2025

*The numbers below are a snapshot of the program as of the month of March.*

| MTC Licenses        | #          |
|---------------------|------------|
| Provisional         | 4          |
| Final               | 1          |
| Commence Operations | <b>94</b>  |
| License Expired     | 94         |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>193</b> |

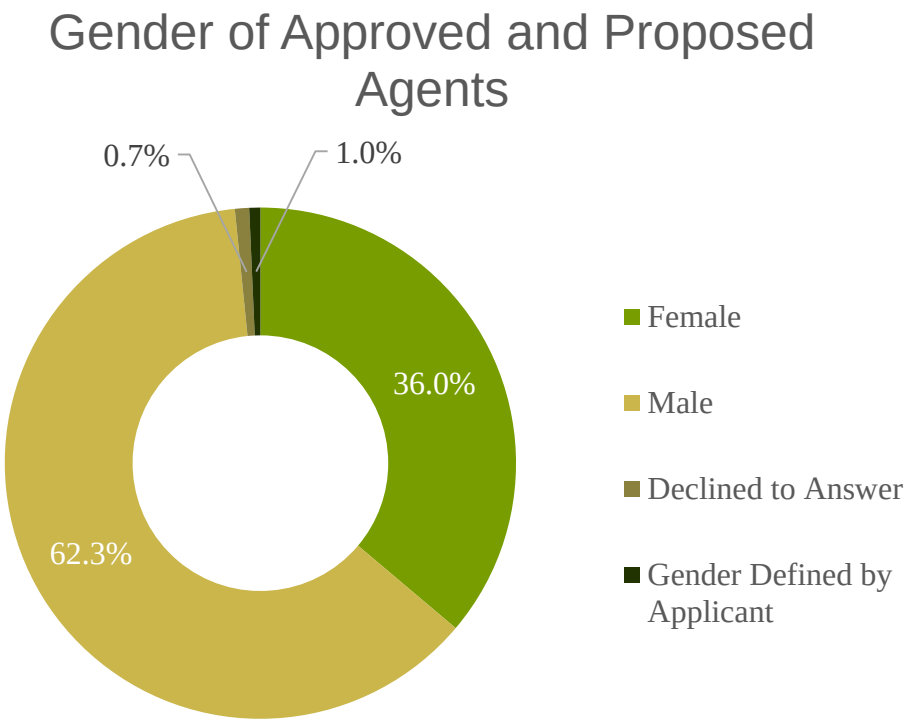
| MMJ Program                               | #             |
|-------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Certified Patients                        | 85,941        |
| Certified Active Patients                 | <b>82,268</b> |
| Active Caregivers                         | 6,099         |
| Registered Certifying Physicians          | 337           |
| Registered Certifying Nurse Practitioners | <b>129</b>    |
| Registered Physician Assistants           | 7             |
| Ounces Sold                               | 97,225        |



# Agent Applications | April 10, 2025

*Demographics of Approved and Pending Marijuana Establishment Agents*

| Gender                      | #             | %             |
|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Female                      | 7,858         | 36.0%         |
| Male                        | 13,616        | 62.3%         |
| Declined to Answer          | 217           | 1.0%          |
| Gender Defined by Applicant | 147           | 0.7%          |
| <b>Total</b>                | <b>21,839</b> | <b>100.0%</b> |

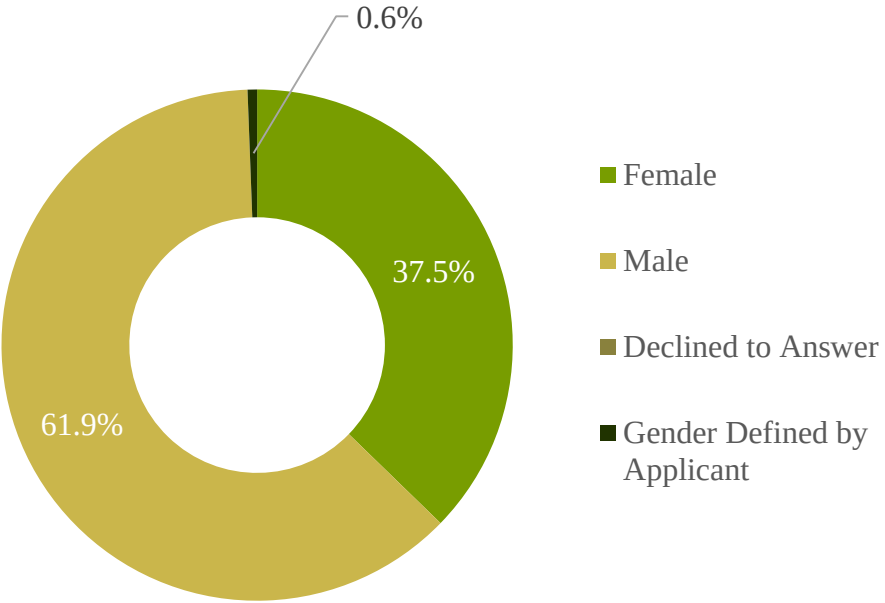


# Agent Applications | April 10, 2025

*Demographics of Approved and Pending Medical Marijuana Treatment Center Agents*

| Gender                      | #            | %             |
|-----------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Female                      | 2,179        | 37.5%         |
| Male                        | 3,599        | 61.9%         |
| Declined to Answer          | 0            | 0.0%          |
| Gender Defined by Applicant | 33           | 0.6%          |
| <b>Total</b>                | <b>5,811</b> | <b>100.0%</b> |

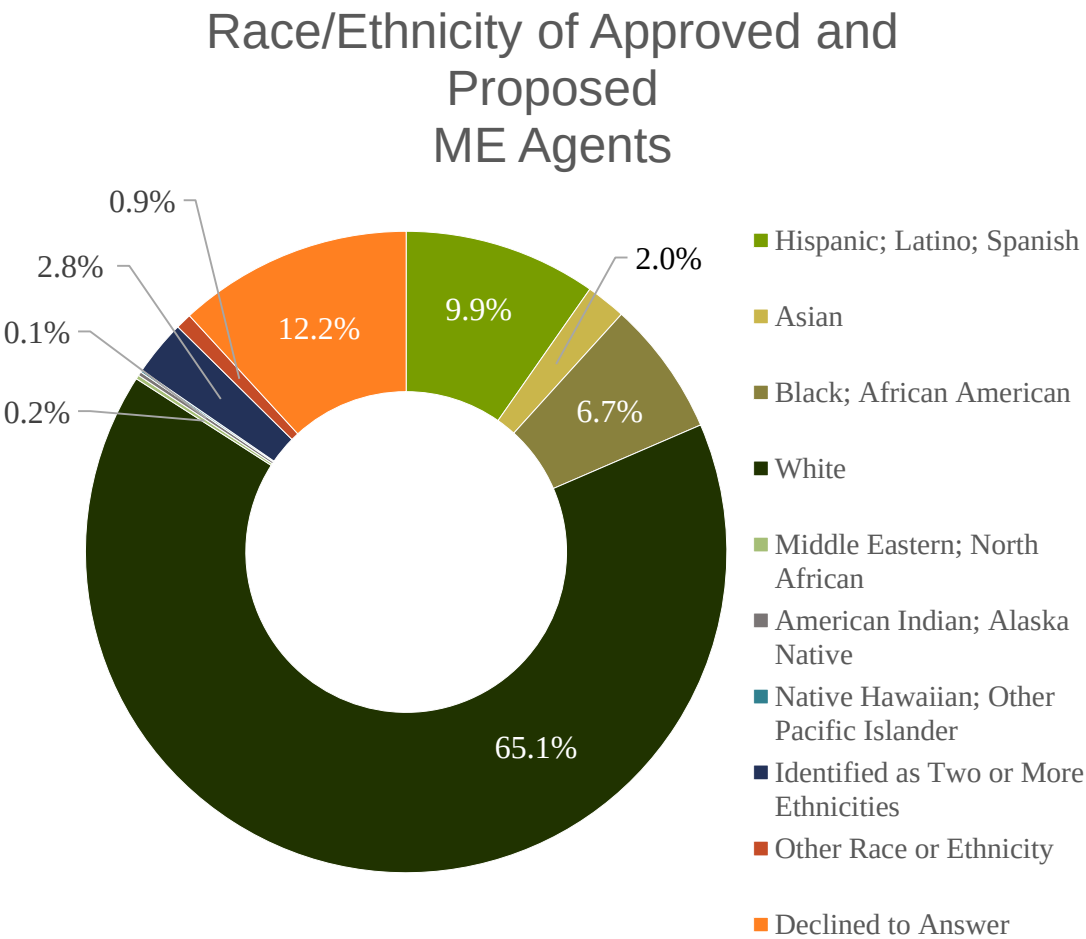
Gender of Approved and Proposed MTC Agents



# Agent Applications | April 10, 2025

Demographics of Approved and Pending Marijuana Establishment Agents

| Race/Ethnicity                          | #             | %             |
|-----------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Hispanic; Latino; Spanish               | 2,152         | 9.9%          |
| Asian                                   | 432           | 2.0%          |
| Black; African American                 | 1,463         | 6.7%          |
| White                                   | 14,207        | 65.1%         |
| Middle Eastern; North African           | 54            | 0.2%          |
| American Indian; Alaska Native          | 48            | 0.2%          |
| Native Hawaiian; Other Pacific Islander | 16            | 0.1%          |
| Identified as Two or More Ethnicities   | 618           | 2.8%          |
| Other Race or Ethnicity                 | 189           | 0.9%          |
| Declined to Answer                      | 2,660         | 12.2%         |
| <b>Total</b>                            | <b>21,839</b> | <b>100.0%</b> |

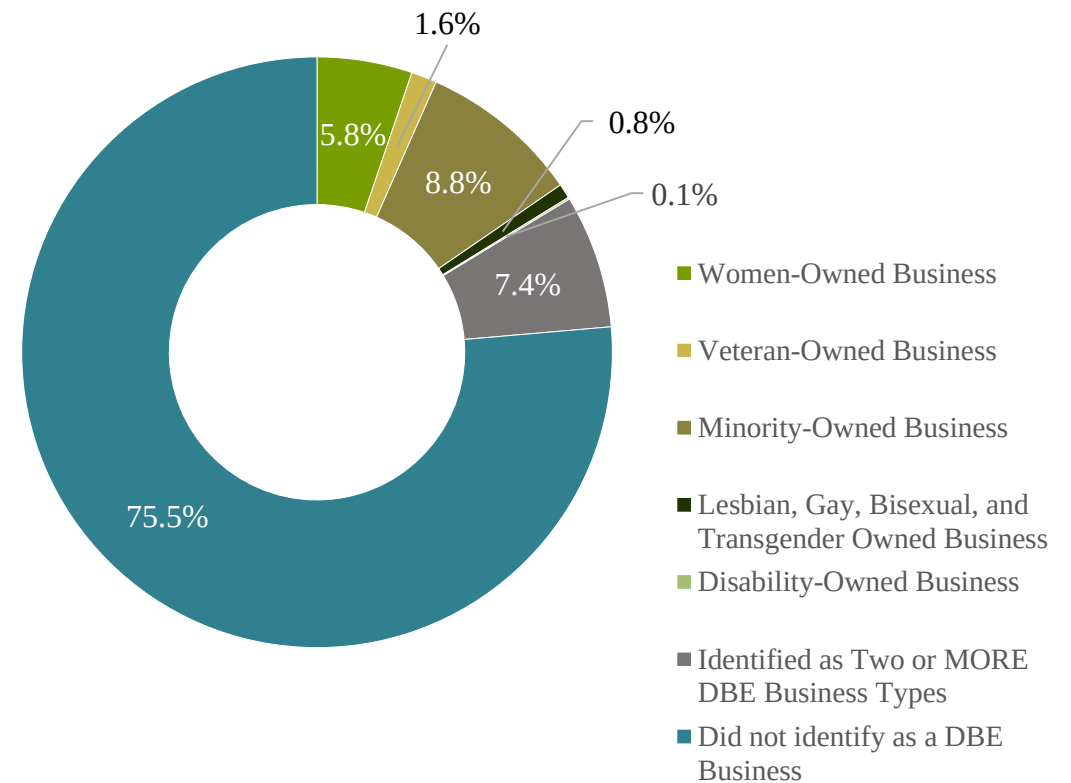


# Licensing Applications | April 10, 2025

*Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Statistics for Approved Licensees*

| Type                                                   | #            | % of Group    |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Women-Owned Business                                   | 94           | 5.8%          |
| Veteran-Owned Business                                 | 25           | 1.6%          |
| Minority-Owned Business                                | 141          | 8.8%          |
| Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Owned Business | 13           | 0.8%          |
| Disability-Owned Business                              | 2            | 0.1%          |
| Identified as Two or MORE DBE Business Types           | 119          | 7.4%          |
| Did not identify as a DBE Business                     | 1,215        | 75.5%         |
| <b>Total</b>                                           | <b>1,609</b> | <b>100.0%</b> |

DBE Statistics Approved Licensees

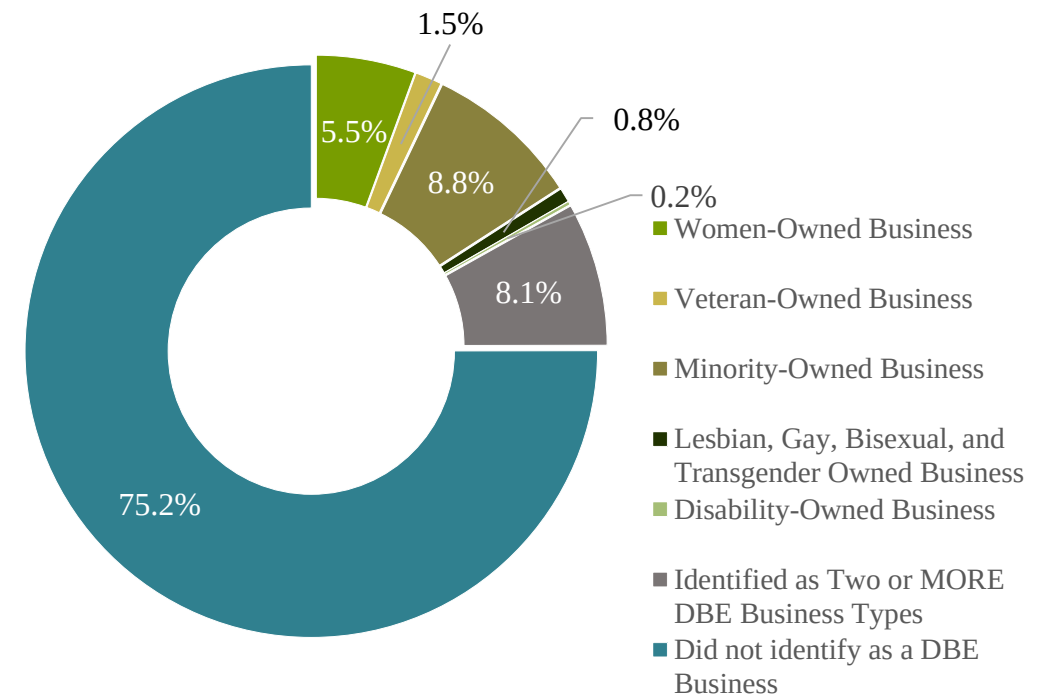


# Licensing Applications | April 10, 2025

*Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Statistics for Pending and Approved License Applications*

| Type                                                   | #            | % of Group    |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Women-Owned Business                                   | 100          | 5.5%          |
| Veteran-Owned Business                                 | 27           | 1.5%          |
| Minority-Owned Business                                | 160          | 8.8%          |
| Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Owned Business | 14           | 0.8%          |
| Disability-Owned Business                              | 4            | 0.2%          |
| Identified as Two or MORE DBE Business Types           | 148          | 8.1%          |
| Did not identify as a DBE Business                     | 1,373        | 75.2%         |
| <b>Total</b>                                           | <b>1,826</b> | <b>100.0%</b> |

DBE Statistics for Pending & Approved License Applications



# Adult Use Agent Applications | April 10, 2025

## Total Agent Applications: 84,841

- 149 Total Pending
  - 144 Pending Establishment Agents
  - 5 Pending Laboratory Agents
- 4,102 Withdrawn
- 3,095 Incomplete
- 7,157 Expired
- 49,432 Surrendered
- 6 Denied / 2 Revoked
- **21,690 Active**

## Of the 149 Total Pending:

- 1 not yet reviewed
- 145 CCC requested more information
- 3 awaiting third party response
- 0 review complete; awaiting approval



# Medical Use Agent Applications | April 10, 2025

*The total number of MTC agent applications received by status.*

| MTC Agent Application                 | #             |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| Pending MTC Agent Applications        | 19            |
| Pending Laboratory Agent Applications | 0             |
| Incomplete                            | 39            |
| Revoked                               | 13            |
| Denied                                | 31            |
| Surrendered                           | 21,606        |
| Expired                               | 3,614         |
| Active                                | 5,751         |
| <b>Total</b>                          | <b>31,073</b> |





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