DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
MEDICAL MARIJUANA PROGRAM

PUBLIC NOTICE

Letter of Intent for Dispensaries Applications

Summary: In accordance with Final Regulations published December 2, 2011, applications for new cultivation center or dispensary registrations shall only be accepted by the Director during the open application period as specified by the Director by published Notice in the D.C. Register; such period shall not be extended. Prior to the submission of a formal application for a new cultivation center registration, the prospective applicant shall submit a Letter of Intent to the Director or a designee. The Director shall only accept Letters of Intent during the time period specified by the Director by Notice in the D.C. Register, such period shall not be extended. The purpose of the Letter of Intent is to formally notify the Director that an application for a cultivation center or dispensary registration will be forthcoming.

Letters of Intent shall be submitted only by completing the Letter of Intent Form posted on the DC Medical Marijuana Webpage http://doh.dc.gov/mmp. No other format is acceptable. Letters will be received beginning Monday, April 29, 2013 at 9:00 am and ending Friday, May 24, 2013 at 12:00 Noon ET. Letters should be addressed to: DC Medical Marijuana Program, 899 North Capitol Street, NE, 2nd Floor Washington, DC 20002. Letters shall be submitted in a manner to ensure signed receipt.

Applicants may apply for both a cultivation center and dispensary registration, but must file a separate Letter of Intent Form and a separate application for each registration sought. An applicant may apply for more than one cultivation center registration but may apply for only one dispensary registration. Only the individuals and entities that submit timely Letters of Intent to the Director, meeting the requirements set forth in the regulations, shall be permitted to submit an application for a cultivation registration.

The United States Congress has determined that marijuana is a controlled substance and has placed marijuana in Schedule I of the Controlled Substance Act. Growing, distributing, and possessing marijuana in any capacity, other than as a part of a federally authorized research program, is a violation of federal laws. The District of Columbia's law authorizing the District's medical marijuana program will not excuse any person from any violation of the federal laws governing marijuana or authorize any registrant to violate federal laws.