

Medical Cannabis Legislative Oversight Working Group
Act 230, HB 2707, Session Laws of Hawaii 2016

Department of Health Report
November 21, 2017

1. Patient Registry and Operations Update:

See DOH Website at:

<http://health.hawaii.gov/medicalcannabisregistry/submenu/program-statistics/>

- a. Patient Count: 19,444 registered patients as of November 20, 2017; maintaining an approximately 3% increase each month during 2017;
- b. Monthly Applications: Approve an average of 1,734 applications per month from January 2017 to current, or about 11 applications an hour; this includes new applications and renewals; Registry received 1,147 applications from 11/1 – 11/19; approved 741 as of 11/17;
- c. Application Turn-around: Ten (10) business days up from seven (7) last month;
- d. Staffing: Six (6) positions; 3 vacant. One (1) new Office Assistant position being established for 1/1/2018 effective date;
- e. Patient Priorities: Continue to expedite processing for minors, patients with cancer diagnoses, and patients in hospice care; turnaround applications same day for hospice or by next business day for other (2-days max); approved 45 patients in these categories from 11/1 – 11/17, with 20 pending from 11/17 to 11/20;
- f. IT System Enhancements: Developing a system through HIC for managing registered user change requests. Change requests are currently submitted in hardcopy form and updated manually. Registry receives average of 61 change requests per month and process 45. Approximately 60% of one person's time is on processing and/or returning incomplete change requests;
- g. Petition on New Medical Conditions: Expect to submit recommendation on ALS and General Anxiety Disorder (GAD) to Director of Health; decision by 12/20, ninety days following public hearing, to approve, deny, or defer for more information. All information provided at the public hearing and through the submission of the written testimony has been reviewed/searched. Bibliography research included PubMed/Medline for reviews on human preclinical and clinical trials on patients/individuals diagnosed with GAD or ALS. Randomized clinical trials which were not included in the published reviews were identified and reviewed. Excluded were non-intervention trials, surveys, and opinion editorials.

2. Dispensary Licensees Update:

a. Hawaii Island:

- i. Lau Ola: Received permits for rebar and footings for cement pad foundation;
- ii. Hawaiian Ethos:

1. Awaiting name of new CEO; CEO unexpectedly passed away; does not impact license;
2. Pad foundation, framing, plumbing, and electrical complete; construction continuing;
- b. Kauai: Plans for retail store submitted to County for approval;
- c. Inspections Conducted: Over 100 inspections since June 2016; 329 staff days.

3. Industry Operations Update: Monthly, non-cumulative

Summary of Operations	September 2017	October 2017	November 1-19, 2017
Total Customer Encounters	4,213	8,037	4,951
Unduplicated Patient Count	1,119	1,214	496
Total Gross Sales Revenue	\$287,699	\$573,283	\$348,711
Total Items Purchased	4,803	15,231	8,958
Total Weight of Sales	14,061.36 g (31 lbs.)	28,526.32 g (63 lbs.)	20,411.66 g (45 lbs.)

4. Laboratory Certification Status:

- a. Onsite audit scheduled on 12/13/17 for chemistry and microbiology for the 3rd private lab; validation studies accepted by SLD for plants and concentrates (oils);
- b. Refer to attached Status Summary provided by DOH State Labs Division.