

# NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO N.D. ADMIN. CODE CHAPTER 33-44-01 MEDICAL MARIJUANA

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services will hold a public hearing to address proposed amendments to N.D. Admin. Code chapter 33-44-01 at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, in Bismarck, N.D. in Room 210, located on the second floor of the Judicial Wing of the State Capitol.

The proposed amendments to N.D. Admin. Code chapter 33-44-01, Medical Marijuana, are necessary, in part, to comply with 2023 Senate Bill No. 2201.

The proposed changes are as follows:

**Section 33-44-01-07.2** is amended to reduce the application fee for compassion centers.

**Section 33-44-01-07.3** is amended to modify the two-year certification fees for compassion centers, except for one dispensary, and eliminate different amounts paid by dispensaries based on population of city where located.

**Section 33-44-01-07.4** is created to establish the additional two-year certification fee for every five hundred plants in excess of one thousand plants a manufacturing facility possesses.

The proposed amendments are anticipated to have a cumulative impact on the regulated community in excess of \$50,000. No taking of real property is involved in this rulemaking action.

Copies of the proposed rules are available for review at human service zones and at human service centers. Copies of the proposed rules and the regulatory analysis relating to these rules, may be requested by telephoning (701) 328-2311. Written or oral data, views, or arguments may be entered at the hearing or sent to: Rules Administrator, North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services, State

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Capitol - Judicial Wing, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 325, Bismarck, ND 58505-0250. Written data, views, or arguments on the proposed rules must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, July 3, 2023.

ATTENTION PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: If you plan to attend the hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Department of Health and Human Services at the above telephone number or address at least two weeks prior to the hearing.

Dated this 8th day of May, 2023.

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#### **SECTION 1.** Section 33-44-01-07.2 is amended as follows:

## 33-44-01-07.2. Compassion center application fees.

The department shall collect nonrefundable application fees for compassion centers as follows:

- 1. For a manufacturing facility, fivethree thousand dollars.
- 2. For a dispensary, fivetwo thousand dollars.

History: Effective October 1, 2022; amended effective October 1, 2023.

General Authority: NDCC 19-24.1-14 Law Implemented: NDCC 19-24.1-14 SECTION 2. Section 33-44-01-07.3 is amended as follows:

33-44-01-07.3. Compassion center certification fees.

The department shall collect certification fees for compassion center registrations as follows:

- 1. For a manufacturing facility, one hundred tenseventy-five thousand dollars.
- 2. For a dispensary located in a city with a population of more than ten thousand, ninetysixty thousand dollars.
- 3. For a dispensary located in a city with a population of ten thousand or less, thirty thousand dollars.
- 4. For a production only authorized manufacturing facility, seventy forty thousand dollars.
- 5.4. For a medical marijuana product processor only authorized manufacturing facility, thirtytwenty thousand dollars.

History: Effective October 1, 2022; amended effective October 1, 2023.

**General Authority:** NDCC 19-24.1-15 **Law Implemented:** NDCC 19-24.1-15

**SECTION 3.** A new section is created as follows:

### 33-44-01-07.4. Compassion center additional certification fees.

The department shall collect an additional certification fee of five thousand dollars for every five hundred plants in excess of one thousand plants a manufacturing facility possesses.

History: Effective October 1, 2023.

General Authority: NDCC 19-24.1-15

Law Implemented: NDCC 19-24.1-15