



M.A.C.R.O.S.

Mobile Access Compassionate Resources Organization Society

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Attention All Macros Members

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RE: Medical Cannabis

To Our Valued Members:

Well folks, less than 90 days till "D" Day. We want to make sure everybody is fully aware and understands how these changes will affect you. We would like to help facilitate the transition for you. March 31, 2014 things are about to change and this is what you have to take into consideration when you are making your decision to switch. These are the options that were given for you to choose;

1. Follow the new MMPR regulations, sign up with a Licensed Producer (LP) and have no other options but to receive your meds via mail, and you would be bound to the licensed producer as once you sign up, you are not allowed to go elsewhere for your medical cannabis.. or...
2. Continue to access the medicine of choice with your current way of accessing today, also known as the Term, "Civil Disobedience," (It sounds bad, we know, but that's what they are calling it until it's decriminalized) Come in and pick up your meds when you need them, and we'll continue to deliver!!! (LP's) unfortunately don't have a personal touch like us.

Once you decide and if you choice option 1, we will give back to you all documentation we have on file and we wish you all the luck to accessing the medical cannabis from other sources. As in the letter 40,000 Albertan's have received, on page 8, it states:

Q14: Can I register with a licensed producer and still access my source of supply under the Marihuana Medical Access Regulations?

A14: No, you can either chose to switch to the system of a licensed producer by registering with a person production license, or through Health Canada supply under the Marihuana Medical Access Regulations until March 31, 2014. Once you are registered with a licensed producer, you **may not** access your previous source of supply.

Another helpful question and answer we thought to pull off of page 10 of the document:

Q21: How do I register with a licensed producer using a medical document?

A21: If your healthcare practitioner supports the use of marihuana for medical purposes, in your case, he/she must complete a medical document on your behalf. You must contact the licensed producer to obtain a registration form, if required to complete and submit along with your medical document. Their registration form and medical document must be submitted directly to the licensed producer.

Do not send your medical document or registration form to Health Canada.

The licensed producer will process your registration application and once you have been approved, you will place orders directly through your licensed producer *(LP).

Health Canada has begun issuing licenses to LP's Contact information for the LP's is available on the Health Canada website at <http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/dhp-mps/marihuana/info/list-eng.php> . This page will be updated regularly as new LP's are approved.

However, if you chose option 2, closer to “D” Day, we will explain all the details in the package that we are working on so that all concerned remain able to access the medicines they chose. We respect our member’s choices and want to assist any way we can to help make it an easy transition for you whichever you chose.

Please read carefully as you are fully aware of how this is going to work best for you and your needs. We have simplified the document that was sent out by the Government of Canada. The chart basically outlines answers to questions you may have.

We look forward to working with everyone in many months to come! Please be sure to check our website often as new changes are coming! <http://www.macros.ca>; We now have online ordering available, still have an excellent choice of strains, a calendar has been added so that everyone can see what Saturday’s we are open plus much more! Even a letter that’s written up to show your doctor!! That’s on our main page, under the “Doctor’s Link” button. The links that are on that letter are also on the links page of the site. We have a new Facebook Page as well, please be sure to check out <http://www.facebook.com/macros.edmonton> we look forward to seeing you on there! Lots of excellent information and research for all medical practitioners and family members to see!

For making your orders online, or to see what product we have in stock, we have an exclusive username and password are available; please call us at 780-457-6824 to get this information.

An order can only be processed if the member is active, and has an active M.A.C.R.O.S. membership number.

Thank you for supporting M.A.C.R.O.S.!!!

Sincerely, Robert and Janice Cyre (Founders), Aaron Bott (President), and all staff support.

The Marihuana For Medical Purposes regulations (MMPR) and the Marihuana Medical Access Regulations (MMAR) at a glance.. WHAT CHANGES?

QUESTIONS	MMAR (OLD WAYS)	MMPR (NEW WAYS)
How do I obtain access to marihuana for medical purposes?	Complete Health Canada application forms and submit to Health Canada	Have your health care practitioner complete a medical document and submit the original directly to a licensed producer.
What are my options for obtaining supply?	Three options: Health Canada supply, Personal-use Production License (PUPL) or Designated-Person Production License (DPPL)	One option only: from a licensed producer.
What is my proof of authority to possess?	Health Canada-issued Authorization to Possess (ATP)	The label on the package and a separate document accompanying the shipment of dried marihuana provided by the licensed producer. Photo Identification may also be requested.
Can I produce for myself or have someone produce it for me?	Yes, with a PUPL or a DPPL	No.
How do I renew?	You could renew using Health Canada application forms. Effective Oct 1, 2013, Health Canada is no longer accepting applications for new PUPL's/DPPL's and applications with changes to production sites and increases to the number of plants associated with licenses.	Have your health care practitioner complete a medical document and submit the original directly to a licensed producer. You will be required to renew annually (Or sooner, depending on the duration indicated on your medical document).
How do I make changes to my address/personal information?	Submit an amendment application to Health Canada. Effective October 1, 2013, Health Canada is no longer accepting applications for new PUPL's/DPPL's or applications with changes to production sites and increases to the number of plants associated with licenses.	Contact your licensed producer to make any changes to your address/personal information.
How do I place orders for dried marihuana or marihuana seeds?	By using the Health Canada order form	Order dried marihuana directly from your licensed producer.
Can I possess marihuana for medical purposes after March 31, 2014?	No, all Marihuana must be destroyed on or before this date	Yes, you can possess marihuana that has been shipped to you from a licensed producer.
Can I produce marihuana for medical purposes after March 31, 2014?	No, all Marihuana must be destroyed on or before this date.	No.
Can I apply for access to marihuana for medical purposes between now and March 31, 2014?	Yes, Health Canada will accept applications for ATP's until this date. Effective October 1, 2013, Health Canada is no longer accepting applications for new PUPL's/DPPL's and applications with changes to production sites and increases to the number of plants associated with licenses	Yes, you may register with a licensed producer at any time.

M.A.C.R.O.S. Mission Statement:

To help competent adults to make choices concerning their medical care, according to their own values regardless of how unwise or foolish these choices may appear to be to others and to build a society to provide this choice to the members to provide this service and access from all forms of discrimination and barriers.

Vision Statement:

To legally permit to distribute medical cannabis of highest quality symptom strains specific to meet the member / patient's needs to treat specific or general ailments.

Values Statement:

Compassion: To make ready available cannabis to help people with the relief of critical and chronic pain, unresponsive of legal or social stigma.

Harm Prevention: by offering a safe and secure place to access the medicine of their choice without having to associate with illicit distribution.

Empowerment: that the member / patient has the primary authority when it comes to making personal health care decisions and encourage the patient to take control of their own healing

Dignity: of the people who operate the society / dispensary, the patients they serve and the cultivators that supply them have the right to respect ethical needs

Affordability: Everyone must have affordable access to this medicine

Integrity: To remain transparent and accountable for service and provide management of this service

Objectives:

- To establish and uphold standard of medical cannabis dispensaries
- To support high standard of care, education, research and promote best practice
- To work with the public, government, healthcare providers and law enforcement agencies to understand the need for medical cannabis dispensaries
- Help the patient to work with the healthcare practitioner with research of cannabis and treatment with their specific ailment and symptomology