## **Notice of Medical Cannabis Advisory Board Public Meeting**

The New Mexico Department of Health will be holding a Medical Cannabis Advisory Board meeting on Tuesday, March 22, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to 12 p.m. The meeting will be held through a web-based platform due to the concerns surrounding the COVID-19 Coronavirus. Attendees will be able to join the event through the internet or by phone. Instructions on how to access this meeting and the agenda will be posted to the following website: <a href="www.nmhealth.org/go/mcp">www.nmhealth.org/go/mcp</a> at least 24-hours prior to the scheduled meeting.

This public hearing is conducted for the following purpose – review qualified petitions received by the 30 day public notice deadline; review petitions to add medical conditions, medical treatments, or diseases to the list of debilitating medical conditions that qualify for the medical use of cannabis; review conditions previously reviewed by the board and approved by the secretary for the purpose of determining whether to recommend the revision of eligibility criteria for persons applying under those conditions; review new medical and scientific evidence pertaining to currently approved conditions; recommend to the Department of Health additional debilitating medical conditions that would benefit from the medical use of cannabis. In addition, changes in the regulations as they relate to the medical cannabis patient registry, reciprocity, and adequate supply may be discussed.

Petitions to add conditions may be accepted at any time. Those received 30 days prior to the meeting, by end of business on February 21, 2022, will be scheduled for the March 22, 2022 meeting.

Any member of the public may submit written comment regarding a petition. No prior notification is required to present general non-technical statements in "support of" or in "opposition to" a petition.

Any individual who wishes to present technical evidence concerning a petition must submit a statement of intent to present technical evidence no later than 15 days prior to the hearing to the following address:

Medical Cannabis Program New Mexico Dept. of Health PO Box 26110 Santa Fe, NM 87502

A statement of intent to present technical evidence must include the name of the person submitting the statement, the name of any person who will speak regarding the statement, whether the person filing the statement supports or opposes the petition at issue, an estimate of the length of the person's anticipated testimony, a list of exhibits to be offered into evidence at the hearing, and a summary or outline of the anticipated testimony.

If you are an individual with a disability in need of special assistance to participate in the public hearing, please contact Elizabeth Bisio by telephone at (505) 827-2386 or Gary French at (505) 827-2362. The Department requests at least ten (10) days advance notice to provide requested special accommodations.