



CABINET FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES
OFFICE OF MEDICAL CANNABIS
BOARD OF PHYSICIANS AND ADVISORS

MINUTES OF THE JULY 16, 2025 REGULAR MEETING

- I. The regular meeting of the Board of Physicians and Advisors was called to order by Cannon Armstrong, Executive Director of the Office of Medical Cannabis, on July 16, 2025, at 3:06 P.M. The members met virtually via Zoom.

Board Members Present:

Frederick Stein, D.O.
Courtney Turner, M.D.
Ryan Grell, M.D.
Matt Carrico, PharmD
Linda McClain, M.D.
AnYu Chen, M.D.
Jodi Wojcik, APRN

Board Members Not Present:

Kristin Dawson, M.D.
Charles Roberts, M.D.
Thomas Colley, APRN

Additional Attendees:

Cannon Armstrong, Executive Director of the Office of Medical Cannabis
Shelby Lewis, Executive Policy Advisor of the Office of Medical Cannabis
Kaysha Stoner, Program Coordinator of the Office of Medical Cannabis
Members of the Public

II. **OLD BUSINESS**

The Board voted on the approval of the May 7, 2025 regular meeting minutes. Dr. Stine made a motion to approve the minutes, and Dr. Chen seconded. The motion passed unanimously.



III. NEW BUSINESS

a. Report from the Executive Director

Mr. Armstrong provided an update on the Office of Medical Cannabis, beginning with an update on cannabis business licensees. Armory Kentucky LLC, a Cultivator Tier II located in Graves County, successfully passed inspection and received approval from the Office to bring plants into their facility. The plants were delivered on Friday, July 11, 2025, and Armory Kentucky LLC is expecting to harvest these plants in approximately nine weeks. Mr. Armstrong added that it is anticipated that most of these plants will be processed into edible products.

b. Presentation on Office Updates

Ms. Lewis provided an update about the Office, starting by introducing Hannah Costigan, who joined the Office as the Director of Education and Outreach.

Ms. Lewis gave a presentation with several updates from the Office, first providing an update on practitioners and cardholders. As of July 14, 2025, there are 454 authorized practitioners in the state who have written 17,305 written certifications for medical cannabis. The Office has received a total of 12,572 applications for medical cannabis cards and have approved 11,739 of those applications. There is also a new executive order issued by Governor Beshear that waives the medical cannabis card renewal fee for any individual that was approved for a medical cannabis card in 2025.

Ms. Lewis provided an update on the Office's cannabis business licensees. The Office conducted two inspections so far for a Cultivator Tier I and Cultivator Tier II. The Office has an upcoming dispensary inspection scheduled for July 17th, 2025. Lastly, six (6) out of the forty-eight (48) dispensary licensees still need to move locations due to lottery drawings.

IV. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Wojcik asked about progress to add new diagnoses to the list of qualifying conditions. Mr. Armstrong stated that a bill was filed but did not advance in the previous legislative session. Additionally, the law grants the University of Kentucky Center for Cannabis the authority to expand qualifying conditions, but they do not plan to expand the list.

V. ADJOURNMENT



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There being no further business, Dr. Stine moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Carrico seconded, and the motion carried unanimously (approximately 3:30 P.M.)

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Cannon Armstrong
Executive Director
Office of Medical Cannabis

A blue ink signature of Dr. Frederick Stine, written in a cursive style. To the right of the signature, the letters "r" and "DO" are handwritten.

Dr. Frederick Stine
Board Chair