

Medical Cannabis New Condition Review Panel

OFFICE OF MEDICAL CANNABIS
MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
THURSDAY, AUGUST 25, 2016, 1:00 TO 4:00 P.M.
179 ROBIE STREET EAST, SAINT PAUL, MN 55107

Meeting Notes

Activities

1. Welcome and introductions from the Office of Medical Cannabis – Michelle Larson
2. Purpose of the Medical Cannabis New Condition Review Panel
 - a. “To report the petitions and hear public comment, with an end goal of creating a report.”
3. Panel member introductions (4 members present)
 - a. Heather Tidd – She does volunteer work for a nonprofit with two certifying health care practitioners.
 - b. George Komoridis – psychologist. Has a background working 40-45 years for veterans with PTSD.
 - c. Mikel Bofenkamp – pharmacist at Methodist. He is interested in new medications.
 - d. Susan Sencer – pediatric cancer specialist, certifying health care practitioner in the MN Medical Cannabis program. Has experience with the program.
4. Overview of the MN Medical Cannabis Program – Darin Teske
 - a. (See PowerPoint Slides)
5. Break – 15 Minutes
6. Introduction of petitions and briefings – Tom Arneson
 - a. (See “MDH Fact Sheet – Petitioned Conditions” document)
 - b. The Office of Medical Cannabis talked about the issue briefs for each petitioned condition. They will be available on the OMC Website.

7. Elect a Chair

- a. With the guidance from the Office of Medical Cannabis, the panel members elected a chair for their group. Heather Tidd was elected chair. The roles of the chair include:
 - i. Help building and finalize the agenda,
 - ii. Call meetings to order, manage flow,
 - iii. Manage public testimony,
 - iv. Act as point person in working with OMC in finalizing the report.

8. Next Steps

- a. The panel members were given time to talk amongst each other regarding the petitioned conditions and how future meetings will be run. They decided that each member will take one or two conditions to learn more about that condition, while reviewing the other conditions as well.
 - i. September 8, 2016: The panel members decided that during this meeting they would like to discuss and hear public comment for: Schizophrenia, Diabetes, Phantom Limb Pain and Autism as qualifying conditions.
 - ii. September 22, 2016: The panel members decided that during this meeting they would like to discuss and hear public comment for: Ehlers Danlos Syndrome, Arthritis, Treatment-Resistant Depression, Insomnia and PTSD as qualifying conditions.

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