



SOUTH DAKOTA MEDICAL CANNABIS PROGRAM

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RE: METRC Compliance and External Transfers

The purpose of this letter is to address certain questions pertaining to the state selected inventory tracking system that the medical cannabis program has received recently. On July 19, 2022, DOH promulgated new administrative rules regarding the medical cannabis program. One of the changes was to amend ARSD 44:90:11:01, to include the provision:

The department shall notify all medical cannabis establishments when the inventory tracking system is live. Upon notification by the department, a medical cannabis establishment shall comply with the inventory tracking system requirements and this section and complete all external transfers into the system within 45 days. An external transfer for purposes of this section means a transaction in the inventory tracking system where an establishment enters inventory into the system from a source that was not previously recorded in the tracking system. External transfers pursuant to SDCL 34-20G-12 may continue to occur after the 45-day deadline.

On August 1, 2022, the department sent notice to all establishments that Metrc, the selected inventory tracking system, was live. Therefore, all existing inventory must be entered into Metrc by September 15, 2022. After September 15, 2022, you will no longer be able to enter new inventory into Metrc that was not previously recorded in Metrc. Additionally, September 15 is also the date by which you must be using Metrc and compliant with the rules and regulations pertaining to the tracking system.

If you have any additional questions, please contact us Mcquestions@state.sd.us

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