



Department of Health Plans Massive Expansion of the Medical Marijuana Program in New Jersey, Issuing Request for Applications for up to 108 Alternative Treatment Center Permits

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On Monday June 3, 2019, the Department of Health announced its Request for Applications (“RFA”) for up to 108 new alternative treatment center permits in New Jersey. The Department’s plan will greatly expand the current Medical Marijuana Program in New Jersey, and presents a more viable opportunity for those seeking to enter the medical marijuana industry than past RFAs. The application will be released on July 1, 2019. Applicants will have 45 days to prepare and submit their application.

Importantly, the permits that will be issued as a result of this RFA will not be vertically integrated. Applicants will be permitted to apply for individual cultivation, manufacturing, or dispensing endorsements. According to the RFA, the Department of Health intends to issue the following endorsements in each region in New Jersey:

North Region: 8 cultivation endorsements, 10 manufacturing endorsements, and 20 dispensary endorsements.

Central Region: 8 cultivation endorsements, 10 manufacturing endorsements, and 20 dispensary endorsements.

South Region: 8 cultivation endorsements, 10 manufacturing endorsements, and 14 dispensary endorsements.

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