

STATE OF HAWAII  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ASSURANCE  
MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARY LICENSING

NOTICE OF OPEN APPLICATION PERIOD

Pursuant to chapter 329D<sup>1</sup>, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), notice is hereby given that the open application period for medical marijuana dispensary licenses shall begin at 8:00 a.m., Hawaii-Aleutian Standard Time, on January 12, 2016, and close on January 29, 2016, at 4:30 p.m. Hawaii-Aleutian Standard Time.

The application form will be available to the public on the Department of Health (DOH) website at <http://health.hawaii.gov/medicalmarijuana>, on January 11, 2016, at 8:00 a.m., Hawaii-Aleutian Standard Time. Applications can be submitted through the DOH website beginning on January 12, 2016.

The interim Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) providing the regulatory requirements for a medical marijuana dispensary license are being finalized and pending approvals. Once approved, the rules will be posted at <http://health.hawaii.gov/medicalmarijuana>. The rules set out the process and the merit criteria the DOH will use to select licensees. DOH expects to select and announce licensees by April 15, 2016.

A dispensary licensed pursuant to chapter 329D, HRS, may begin dispensing medical marijuana not sooner than July 15, 2016, with the approval of the department.

Updates and additional information relating to the open application period will be posted at <http://health.hawaii.gov/medicalmarijuana> when available.

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<sup>1</sup> Dispensary Legislation (HB 321) was signed into law on July 14, 2015. Act 241 has been codified into Hawaii statutes and may be found at Chapter 329D, HRS. For more information read [Act 241](#) or Chapter 329D, HRS.