

# **Key Cannabis Program Terms**

## **Adult Use Cannabis Program**

**Cannabis Store:** A facility licensed to sell adult use cannabis and cannabis products to consumers.

**Consumer:** An individual 21 years of age or older who may make a purchase from a cannabis store.

**IIC:** An individual identification card issued to any licensed individual and to any principal, employee, or other support staff of a licensee.

**Licensee:** A cultivation facility, products manufacturing facility, cannabis store, or cannabis testing facility in the Adult Use Cannabis Program.

**Municipal Opt-in:** A municipality's decision to affirmatively permit the operation of some or all cannabis establishments within the municipality.

### **Medical Use of Cannabis Program**

**Caregiver:** A registered individual that may acquire, possess, cultivate, manufacture, deliver, transfer, transport, sell, supply, or dispense cannabis and cannabis products to qualifying patients and other registrants.

**Caregiver Retail Store:** A store used by a registered caregiver to sell cannabis and cannabis products to qualifying patients and other items to the general public at a fixed location.

**Certifying Provider:** A physician, a certified nurse practitioner, or a physician assistant.

**Dispensary:** A registered entity that may acquire, possess, cultivate, manufacture, deliver, transfer, transport, sell, supply, or dispense cannabis and cannabis products to qualifying patients and other registrants.

**Registrant:** A registered caregiver, dispensary, cannabis testing facility, manufacturing facility, or person authorized to engage in cannabis extraction using inherently hazardous substances in Maine's Medical Use of Cannabis Program.

**RIC:** A registry identification card that identifies an individual who has registered with the Office in accordance with Chapter 558-C.

**Qualifying Patient:** An individual who has been a resident of the State for at least 30 days and who possesses a valid written certification regarding medical use of cannabis.

#### **Program Compliance**

**Compliance Inspectors:** OCP employees who work to ensure program compliance.

**Inspection:** An official visit by OCP to an active or prospective cannabis establishment to check for compliance with program statutes and rules.

**Investigation:** A process for investigating suspected infractions by program participants as a result of a complaint or as a result of routine compliance activities.

**Technical Assistance:** Support provided by OCP to program participants to help them become compliant with program statutes and rules.

## **Testing and Tracking**

**Audit Testing:** Testing and sampling conducted by OCP to verify licensee compliance with program requirements.

**Final Form:** Cannabis or cannabis products in the form that will be sold to a consumer; except that the cannabis or cannabis product need not be prepackaged into individual retail units to be considered in its "final form".

**Inventory Tracking:** A system for the tracking of cannabis plants, cannabis, and cannabis products from immature cannabis plant to the point of retail sale, return, disposal, or destruction.

**Lab Shopping:** When a licensee submits samples to multiple labs in an attempt to secure the most favorable test results.

**Metrc:** The State's current vendor for adult use cannabis inventory tracking.

**Pre-treatment:** The process to reduce or eliminate contaminants from a batch of cannabis or cannabis products before a representative sample has been sent for testing.

**Remediation:** The process to reduce or eliminate contaminants from a batch of cannabis or cannabis products in the event a cannabis testing facility determines the representative sample has failed testing.

**NOTE:** This is not an all-encompassing list of key terms, and some definitions have been condensed for discussion purposes. Program rules and statutes are available on OCP's website for review. Please contact OCP with any questions.