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Office of Cannabis Policy 60-Day Reminder of Expiration of Authorization of Transfers of Cannabis Plants and Seeds from the Maine Medical Use of Cannabis Program (MMCP) to the Adult Use Cannabis Program (AUCP) pursuant to 28-B MRS § 501(6)

Dear Stakeholder:

This notice is provided by the Office of Cannabis Policy (OCP) to remind AUCP cultivation facility licensees, registered caregivers, and registered dispensaries operating in the MMCP regarding the requirements applicable to each for the one-time transfer of cannabis plants and seeds from the MMCP to the AUCP.

Current and prospective cultivation facility licensees are reminded that the limited authorization for **one-time** transfers of cannabis plants and seeds from the medical cannabis program to the adult use program, in accordance with 28-B MRS § 501(6) expires on **September 8, 2022**, two years after OCP issued the first active cultivation facility license. Cultivation facility licensees are only eligible to engage in these limited transfers during the first year of active licensure, and **no cultivation facility licensee will be permitted to accept transfers of cannabis plants and seeds from the medical program after September 8th of this year.**

Until September 8, 2022, pursuant to 28-B MRS § 501(6), a cultivation facility licensee that has demonstrated to OCP's satisfaction that it is also a registered caregiver or registered dispensary may purchase, one time, cannabis plants (mature cannabis plants, immature cannabis plants and seedlings) and seeds from a caregiver or dispensary registered by the MMCP. AUCP cultivation facility licensees with an active license that explicitly authorizes such transfers are the only licensees that may purchase cannabis plants and seeds from the MMCP.

Thank you for your attention and consideration to this matter. The OCP will provide additional guidance at the time of expiration, but the hope is that this 60-day reminder will help stakeholders plan, in advance of the fall.

Sincerely,

Erik Gundersen
Director