

STATE OF IOWA DEPARTMENT OF
Health AND **Human**
SERVICES

Medical Cannabidiol Board
ANNUAL REPORT TO THE IOWA GENERAL
ASSEMBLY

December, 2022

4. INCLUSION OF PAS AND/OR ARNPS ON THE MEDICAL CANNABIDIOL BOARD

In an effort to be inclusive of the disciplines allowed to certify patients for the use of medical cannabidiol, the Board recommends expanding the nine-member Board to allow PAs and ARNPs to be Board Members.

5. IOWA TAX STATUS: LICENSEE EQUALITY WITH TRADITIONAL BUSINESSES

In an effort to reduce the tax burden placed on Iowa's medical cannabidiol manufacturers, the Board recommends decoupling Iowa's tax code from Section 280E of the federal tax code for individual and corporate tax purposes. Iowa's tax code "copies" or matches the federal tax code unless the state actively decouples it. [Senate File 2157](#) was introduced in 2022 and provides a template pathway.

6. PROVIDE A MECHANISM FOR CERTIFYING PRACTITIONERS TO RECEIVE PATIENT PURCHASING DATA UPON REQUEST TO THE DEPARTMENT

Chapter 124E does not authorize the Department to provide patient purchasing information back to a certifying provider, as is the case with the traditional PDMP. The Board recommends that authority be given to the Department to provide patient purchasing information to providers for patients they have certified.

7. IMPROVEMENTS IN THE PATIENT PROVIDER RELATIONSHIP, AND OVERSIGHT OF TELEHEALTH CONSULTATIONS

The Board has expressed concern with telehealth providers who may not be maintaining patient-provider relationships with patients they are certifying, or do not establish care with patients in the traditional sense. The Board recommends the citation of the Board of Medicine's rules around standards of practice for telemedicine ([653 IAC 13.11\(7\)](#)) in Chapter 124E.

8. SEEK A FEDERAL EXEMPTION FOR IOWA'S PROGRAM

The Board recommends that a task force of legal experts be authorized, similar to the current board of medical experts, to assist the department in navigating the legal issues involved with requesting an exemption for Iowa's program from necessary Federal agencies. This is related to a recommendation in [the Board's 2019 Annual Report](#) and the passage of [HF2589](#) in June, 2020.