



MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE

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To: Licensees of MSBML,

It has come to our attention that many of you who have registered with MSDH to become certifying practitioners for medical cannabis patients have not yet also registered with MSBML. Board rules, specifically Part 2640, Chapter 2, Rules 1.2.C and 1.3.A, require that practitioners must register with both MSDH and MSBML prior to issuing any patient certifications.

For your understanding and protection, it is also highly recommended that anyone registering as a certifying practitioner take sufficient time to familiarize themselves with the medical cannabis rules of both the MSDH and MSBML. Those rules detail the necessary steps for regulatory compliance, and express the expectations of both agencies that high professional standards shall apply to medical cannabis certifications, just as such high standards apply to every other aspect of medical practice in this State.

Certifying practitioners are responsible for knowing and being in full compliance with MSBML's cannabis rules. Specifically, Cannabis Certification Rule 1.10 states that: "Violation of any of the rules or requirements in this Part 2640, Chapter 2, or of any provision of the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act, constitutes unprofessional conduct in violation of Miss. Code Ann. § 73-25-29(8)(d) and may subject a licensee to discipline."

Sincerely,

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Registering with MSBML for Medical Cannabis

In order to register for Medical Cannabis with the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, you must first register with the Mississippi State Department of Health. The Department of Health will assign you a 10-digit registration number, which you will need in order to register with the Board of Medical Licensure.

Once you have been issued a Health Department registration number, follow the steps below to register with the Board:

1. Login to your Gateway account. This is the same system you use to renew your license. The login page can be accessed via our website, www.msaml.ms.gov, under the Key Links section on the right-hand side of the home page. Click the "Licensure Gateway" link.
2. If you have forgotten your Username or Password, click the "Forgot username?" or "Forgot password?" link as applicable.
3. Once you are logged in, click the Green panel on the home page that shows your license number and expiration date.
4. On the next page, click the "Medical Cannabis Registration" button under the License Options section on the left-hand side.
5. Answer the first question. If the answer is NO, you will see a message stating that you must first register with the MS Department of Health. If you answer YES, you will be prompted to enter the Department of Health registration number. The system will validate that the number entered is a 10-digit number.
6. Answer the second question. If the answer is NO, you will see a message stating that you must first complete the required 8 hours of continuing education in order to register for Medical Cannabis. If you answer YES, you can continue to the end of the registration process by clicking the "Next" button at the bottom of the page.
7. You will be presented the Confirmation page, where your answers will be displayed. Click the "Exit" button to complete the process.

This registration process is the only necessary step needed to comply with the Board of Medical Licensure requirements. There will be no confirmation or documentation provided to licensees from the Board.