

## **Patient and Caregiver ID Card Requirements**

### **Summary**

This proposal removes the requirement that patient and caregiver identification cards must bear a photograph of the patient or caregiver. Patients and caregivers are still required to submit a photograph when registering with the Maryland Medical Cannabis Commission, and must present a valid government-issued photo identification to a dispensary when obtaining medical cannabis to validate the patient or caregiver's identity.

### **10.62.06 Patient and Caregiver Identification Cards**

#### **.01 Patient Identification Cards.**

A. (text unchanged)

B. An identification card shall contain:

(1) (text unchanged)

(2) An expiration date[:

(a) 2 years from the date the card is issued; and

(b) Beginning January 1, 2019,] 3 years from the date the card is issued; *and*

(3) [A current, clear photograph of the applicant's face taken within the previous 6 months; and

(4)] The qualifying patient registry number assigned by the Commission.

C. – D. (text unchanged)

#### **.02 Caregiver Identification Cards.**

A. (text unchanged)

B. An identification card shall contain:

(1) The name and date of birth of the cardholder;

(2) An expiration date 2 years from the date of issue; *and*

(3) [A current, clear photograph of the applicant's face taken within the previous 6 months; and

(4)] The caregiver registration number assigned by the Commission.

### **10.62.30 Dispensing Medical Cannabis**

#### **.03 Procedure for Dispensing Medical Cannabis.**

A. A registered dispensary agent shall dispense medical cannabis only from the service area to a qualifying patient or caregiver who has presented:

(1) [a] A Commission-issued patient or caregiver identification [card] *number*; and

(2) A valid government-issued photo identification.

B. – G. (text unchanged)

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