



Media Release

Informational Update Warning

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The Shiawassee County Health Department will be working with State partners during the transition of the Marijuana Proposal. The Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) will oversee and be responsible for the regulation and licensing for medical and recreational marijuana. Under this proposal, residents will be able to possess certain amounts of marijuana for personal use, but any form of sale requires a license from LARA.

According the Center of Disease Control (CDC), marijuana use may have a wide variety of health effects on the body and brain. More research is needed to understand the full impacts that marijuana will have. The CDC will be working to: monitor use patterns and the public health effects of marijuana through existing surveillance systems, increase the capacity to identify, monitor, and evaluate regulatory practices and policies to prevent marijuana related harms, and support local and state agencies to create and disseminate evidence-based information describing health effects.

At this time, a food establishment license issued by the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development does not allow operators to produce or sell marijuana or marijuana-infused products. Products infused with marijuana requires a license from LARA. A license from LARA is required for farmers markets and online marketplaces under Michigan Food Law.

For more information: <https://www.cdc.gov/marijuana/index.htm>

For licensing information: 517-284-8599 or LARA-medicalmarhuana@michigan.gov

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