

CAREGIVER-PATIENT CONNECTION MRN282131

BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Caregiver-Patient Connection
371 Lunenburg Street, Fitchburg, MA 01420

2. Type of license sought (if cultivation, its tier level and outside/inside operation):

Retail

3. Applicant is a licensee or applicant for other Marijuana Establishment license(s):

Cultivation, Tier 2/Indoor (5,001 to 10,000 sq. ft.)
(Provisionally licensed in Barre)

4. List of all required individuals and their business roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

Dean Iandoli—Owner/Partner
Catherine Trifilo—Owner/Partner
Michael Staiti—Owner/Partner
Richard Olstein—Owner/Partner
Ronald LeCuyer—Head of Security
Thomas Powers—Board Member

5. List of all required entities and their roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

No other entity, other than the applicant, appear to have direct or indirect authority over the Marijuana Establishment.

6. Applicant's priority status and information pertaining to co-located operations:

MTC Priority (RP201819)
The MTC has a Provisional Certificate of Registration for dispensing, cultivation, and processing. The adult-use location will not be co-located with a MTC.



7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on November 21, 2018.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on November 10, 2018 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on March 14, 2019 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances and bylaws.
10. The applicant proposed the following programs for its Positive Impact Plan:
 - a. Host a job fair at its retail location in Fitchburg; and
 - b. Provide three (3) to six (6) month internship training program that will expose individuals to the various components of the cannabis industry.

SUITABILITY REVIEW

11. There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.
12. There were no disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions.

MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS REVIEW

13. The applicant states that it can be operational within three (3) months of receiving its provisional license.
14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Sunday – Saturday: 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
15. The applicant submitted all applicable and required summaries of plans, policies, and procedures for the operation of the proposed establishment. The summaries were determined to be substantially compliant with the Commission's regulations.
16. The applicant proposed the following programs for its Diversity Plan:
 - a. Host a job fair specifically for local veterans; and
 - b. Implement a program to mentor and place qualified local veterans who have an interest in the Massachusetts cannabis industry.



17. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

Not applicable

18. Summary of products to be produced and/or sold (if applicable):

Not applicable.

19. Plan for obtaining marijuana or marijuana products (if applicable):

The applicant is a vertically integrated MTC that has applied for an adult-use cultivation license. The applicant plans to provide its own marijuana products. In the event they are unable to provide their own marijuana products, the applicant plans to contract with existing Marijuana Establishments to obtain marijuana products.

20. ISO 17025 Certifying Body and Certificate Number (if applicable):

Not applicable.

RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend provisional licensure with the following conditions:

1. Final license is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations;
2. Final license is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with applicable state laws and local codes, ordinances, and bylaws;
3. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff;
4. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee; and
5. Final license is subject to the applicant submitting more specific information related to its Positive Impact Plan to Commission staff upon inspection.

The applicant has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the applicant is recommended for provisional licensure.

