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**Illinois Pharmacists Association
House of Delegates**

Wednesday – December 19, 2018 – Special Session

NEW BUSINESS

(To be submitted and introduced by Delegates only)

Deadline for Submission of New Business: Wednesday, December 19, 2018

Introduced by: Laura Licari

Date: 12/18/2018

Organization (if applicable): President, IPhA

Subject: Medical and Recreational Cannabis

Motion:

1. IPhA supports that pharmacies be the only mechanism for medical and recreational cannabis to be distributed safely to the public utilizing the same legislative manner used currently to store, record, and distribute controlled substances.
2. IPhA supports pharmacist direct involvement in furnishing cannabis and its various components for medical and recreational use.
3. IPhA supports the development and promotion of healthcare provider education related to the clinical efficacy, safety, and management of patients using cannabis and its various components.
4. IPhA supports that pharmacists should provide cannabis-related pharmacist-delivered patient care services in accordance with the Joint Commission of Pharmacy Practitioners Pharmacists' Patient Care Process.
5. IPhA supports legislative and regulatory changes to further facilitate clinical research related to the clinical efficacy and safety associated with the use of cannabis and its various components.

Background:

The House established policy on Medical Marijuana in 2011. The public view surrounding Medical and Recreational Cannabis and various state policies have changed since that time. With a new Governor-Elect pushing for expanding the use of cannabis and the Federal government looking to make significant policy changes to allow increased access to cannabis; we need a stronger, proactive, and timely policy to be prepared for new opportunities in the profession of pharmacy and our role with the public at-large.

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