

# MEDICAL MARIJUANA SYSTEM\_PROJECT STARTUP REPORT

Submitted to Large Project Oversight on 08/27/2018

## GENERAL INFORMATION

**Project Name:** Medical Marijuana System

**Agency Name:** Department of Health

**Project Sponsor:** Renae Sisk

**Project Manager:** Kris Vollmer

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

In November 2016, the Medical Marijuana Initiated Measure was voted on and approved by the citizens of North Dakota. Effective April 18, 2017, North Dakota Century Code (NDCC) Chapter 19-24.1 required the North Dakota Department of Health to establish and implement a medical marijuana program to allow for production and processing, the sale and dispensing of usable marijuana, and medical use of marijuana. The Department of Health's Division of Medical Marijuana is responsible for establishing and implementing the medical marijuana program in North Dakota. The Administrative rules for the Medical Marijuana Program became effective April 1, 2018.

## BUSINESS NEEDS AND PROBLEMS

Comply with N.D.C.C. Chapter 19-24.1 and N.D.A.C. Chapter 33-44-01.

## PROJECT BASELINES

Project Start Date	Baseline Execution Start Date	Baseline End Date	Baseline Budget
August 17, 2017	July 24, 2018	December 12, 2018	\$231,050

## OBJECTIVES

Objective	Measurement
1.1 Develop a new statewide medical marijuana program from the ground up	1.1.1 At project completion, has the program been established? (Yes or No)
	1.1.2 At project completion, does the program comply with law and rules? (Yes or No)
1.2 Track all aspects of the production, sales, testing, distribution, transportation, and disposal of marijuana, usable marijuana, and medical marijuana waste in the state	1.2.1 At project completion, does the solution track all aspects of inventory as identified in the business need? (Yes or No)

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1.3 Register card holders, as well as register compassion centers.	1.3.1 At project completion, does the solution allow for registration of all cardholder types? (Yes or No)
	1.3.2 At project completion does the solution allow for registration of all compassion centers? (Yes or No)

## COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS

When requesting funding, Department of Health, Division of Medical Marijuana originally estimated \$898,000 for the project budget. The approved budget for the charter was \$118,600. The difference between the appropriation request and this project charter budget is explained below:

- The appropriated budget of \$25,000 was based off a Delaware marijuana management system; which was replaced shortly after with a different system.
- The project budget will be determined once a bidder has been selected.
- At the time of the appropriation request, the RFP had not yet been completed and the exact vendor costs were not known
- Due to cost savings in other areas and anticipated additional revenue from fees that are appropriated on a continuing basis, the Department is able to fund the project at the contracted amount

## KEY CONSTRAINTS AND/OR RISKS

- Resource shortages
- Legal action taken by the federal government as marijuana is a federally illegal drug