**Section 946.205 Deadlines for Submission of Application for Registry Identification Card**

A qualifying patient who seeks to use medical cannabis for palliative or therapeutic benefit for the patient's debilitating medical condition, and the qualifying patient's designated caregiver when applicable, shall register with the Department on forms and in a manner prescribed in this Part.

a) Applications for registry identification cards will be accepted year round.

b) Application Submission

1) Applications for registry identification cards shall be submitted electronically through the Department's website (http://dph.illinois.gov) or shall be sent via U.S. mail to the following address:

Division of Medical Cannabis

Illinois Department of Public Health

535 West Jefferson Street

Springfield, IL 62761-0001

2) Applications for registry identification cards not submitted electronically or to the above address shall be considered deficient.

c) *The Department of Public Health shall send a notification to a registered qualifying patient or designated caregiver* at least *90 days prior to the expiration date* on the registry identification card. Notification may be sent electronically to the patient's email address on file with the Department or by regular U.S. mail. (Section 70 of the Act)

d) *To maintain a valid registry identification card, a registered qualifying patient and designated caregiver must annually resubmit, at least 45 days prior to the expiration date stated on the registry identification card, a completed renewal application* (see Section 946.200)*, renewal fee* (see Section 946.210) *and accompanying documentation* (see Section 946.200). (Section 70 of the Act)

e) The Department may allow patients 30 days to correct any deficiencies in the application.

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