

# **CANNRA EXTERNAL STAKEHOLDER MEETING**

The Cannabis Regulators Association (CANNRA) is a nonpartisan, nonprofit 501(c)(4) association of government agencies engaged in cannabis and cannabinoid regulation across 45 states, 2 U.S. territories, Canada, and the Netherlands. The purpose of our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual External Stakeholder Meeting is to bring together a diverse array of national and international stakeholders from across the cannabis, cannabinoid, and hemp space to engage in discussions with CANNRA member regulators and other attendees on regulatory and policy topics. We purposefully seek to avoid an echo chamber and seek to engage in discussion with organizations that have differing viewpoints.

### **Eligible attendees**

To be eligible to attend the CANNRA External Stakeholder meeting, individuals must:

- Be representing an organization, entity, association, or company that is engaged in cannabis, cannabinoid, or hemp policy, regulation, research, or advocacy at the national or international level;
- Not be attending as a representative of a plant-touching entity or state/provincial/federal cannabis or hemp licensed entity; and
- Not be attending as a representative of an entity manufacturing or distributing tobacco, alcohol, or pharmaceutical products.

Due to capacity, attending organizations are limited to registering no more than three (3) individuals, and no state-level or provincial-level trade associations or coalitions are eligible to attend.

#### Registration

Organizations that regularly work with CANNRA and/or have reached out to connect with CANNRA on relevant issues will have approximately six weeks for priority registration. After that time, the registration website will be posted to CANNRA's website, and any qualifying organizations will be able to register for any remaining spots (with capacity limits based on the meeting location).

All registering organizations will have to attest that they meet the registration criteria. Registration rates are based on a sliding scale and determined by organizational type or category. The rates are set to cover the projected costs of the meeting; registration costs cover the meeting costs and are not a "donation" to CANNRA. CANNRA will audit to ensure that organizations register under the correct rate.

Registration requires all attendees to agree to a Code of Conduct to ensure respectful engagement. The goal of this meeting is to foster healthy discourse and engage in productive dialogue about policy and regulatory issues. We want to ensure that all attendees feel respected in sharing their diverse perspectives.

#### No sponsorships or expo area

The goal of the meeting is to have diverse discussions about a range of policy and regulatory topics. As such, there are no paid sponsorships as part of the meeting, there is no meeting expo area, and there are no externally sponsored networking events that are part of the agenda. Attendees agree to focus on substantive policy and regulatory-related topics at the meeting. CANNRA uses registration fees to pay for a welcome reception, so all attendees have time to network.

## **Meeting Agenda**

The meeting will have three primary tracks related to cannabis and cannabinoid regulation and policy:

- (1) Emerging topics in regulatory science;
- (2) Consumer and product safety, research, and public health; and
- (3) Social and economic equity.

The meeting will occur all day on June 4&5, 2024 and will consist of both plenary panels and breakout sessions, as well as ample time for networking.