



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Cannabis Control Commission

NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING

Date: Friday, September 12, 2025

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Place: Public Utilities Commission
89 Jefferson Boulevard
Warwick, RI 02886

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OPEN MEETING AGENDA

A. Call to Order and introductory remarks from the Chairperson.

B. Motion to approve the minutes of the Open Session Meeting held on August 7, 2025.

C. Ethics presentation by Lynne Radiches, Staff Attorney and Education Coordinator, Rhode Island Ethics Commission, to include:

- a. A presentation on the Introduction to the Rhode Island Ethics Commission and the Rhode Island Code of Ethics.

** This presentation will be approximately fifty (50) minutes long and is eligible for one (1) ethics MCLE credit for attorneys in attendance who sign in and provide bar number**

Attorneys who attend the training via ZOOM who wish to receive (1) MCLE ethics credit must email Lynne Radiches (Lynne.Radiches@ethics.ri.gov) their full name and RI Bar number before 4:30 p.m. on Friday, September 12, 2025.

D. Quarterly update presented by Cannabis Office Administrator, Michelle Reddish, MS, MPH, to include updates on the Zone 1 Compassion Center application process and the social equity applicant certification process.

E. Review, discussion and potential vote to authorize Commission staff to submit the proposed regulation entitled “Rhode Island Industrial Hemp Program,” 560-RICR-10-20-1, for public comment period in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act (“APA”), R.I. Gen. Laws Chapter 42-35.

F. A cannabis use public health presentation by Madison Rivard, MPH, NREMT, Public Health Epidemiologist – Cannabis Use, Rhode Island Department of Health (RIDOH) and Bryan Lucier, Senior Public Health Promotion Specialist (RIDOH), to include:

- a. A presentation on Promoting Safer Choices and Monitoring Trends: Cannabis Use and Public Health in Rhode Island.

G. Public Comment (in person only)

- a. If you wish to speak, please sign up on the sign-in sheet so the Chairperson will know to call your name. The Chairperson will explain public comment procedures during the meeting and may limit the amount of time for each person to speak. If you have additional information that you wish to share with the Commission, please email it to CCCInquiry@ccc.ri.gov.

H. Motion to go into Executive Session, to wit:

- a. Update and discussion on pending appellate litigation in *John Kenney v. Rhode Island Cannabis Control Commission, et al.*, 25-1173.
- b. Update and discussion on pending appellate litigation in *Justyna Jensen v. Rhode Island Cannabis Control Commission, et al.*, 25-1132.

I. Motion to return to Open Session.

J. Motion to seal the minutes of the Executive Session on September 12, 2025.

K. Report out on actions and votes taken in Executive Session.

L. Next Meeting Date: October 24, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. at the Public Utilities Commission, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, RI 02886.

M. Adjournment

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-6(b), additional items may be added to the agenda by a majority vote of the members and shall be for “informational purposes only and may not be voted on except where necessary to address an unexpected occurrence that requires immediate action to protect the public or to refer the matter to an appropriate committee or to another body or official.” Any additional item so added may be considered in Executive Session provided that it complies with R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 42-46-4(a) & -5(a).

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