

### APPROACHING RFA

Board of Pharmacy held a meeting March 29th, announcing the Request for Applications (RFA) period is coming as soon as mid-April. Don't be left behind. Call VCG for a consultation today.

#### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Considering an application, or support industry role? Contact VCG for a quote on a customized pharmaceutical processor overview. Slots are filling fast, and availability is very limited.

### CANNABIS TRADE ASSOCIATIONS

The IRS has recently changed its rules regarding cannabis trade associations and tax exempt status. Stay tuned for upcoming opportunities to network in Virginia's emerging industry!

## APRIL'S FOCUS: CANNABIS POLICY

Government Relations Services

Few campaigns are guaranteed a win, particularly in modern elections. Marijuana support is at an all time high, especially among younger voters. This month's blog post focuses on cannabis policy definitions and positions from around the U.S.. VCG can craft solid marijuana policies that are created for target demographics. Don't let victory come down to a name in a bowl. Understanding Virginians' positions on cannabis policy may make the difference needed in highly competitive races.

Find out more at virginiacannabisgroup.com/blog





# OBSTACLES & OPPORTUNITIES

Investing in Virginia Cannabis

March has been a busy month for the emerging market in Virginia. The all-important "Let Doctors Decide" bill passed unanimously with Gov. Northam's emergency enactment amendment. The Board of Pharmacy put out more guidance about upcoming dates.

VCG held its first investors interest meeting immediately after the Virginia Medical Cannabis Information Session in Hampton Roads. Daniel Rouleau led the presentation that discussed investment opportunities and things to consider in this exciting new industry.

Financial obstacles are a major consideration for cannabusinesses and support industries. Wells Fargo has recently taken action to close down any accounts associated with cannabis, including a testing laboratory in Alaska and VCG's business account. It is important to discuss this issue with your financial institution to avoid unnecessary complications.

Are you interested in becoming a cannabis investor? VCG can connect you with serious applicants for Virginia medical cannabis program.



### RECENT MEDIA

A trusted source of expertise

Virginia Cannabis Group is fortunate to have leaders from the marijuana reform movement who bring their policy experience and expertise to your cannabusiness.

"We've been trying for years, and we've been met with more pushback. But it was just getting in front of our Legislature letting them know what patients need," [Jenn Michelle] Pedini said.

CBD Limits Loosening in States Written Off by Marijuana Reformers Hemp Industry Daily March 20, 2018

"Medical literature continues to evolve. Evidence proves that nonrestrictive medical and recreational legalization is an economic boon, creates jobs and helps to fight opioid addiction by a factor of about 25 percent ... so, we're going to keep applying pressure. We're going to keep educating. You'll see us making advances, bit by bit."

New Industries Could Take Root as Cannabis Laws Change in Virginia Coastal Business Magazine April 4, 2018

Virginia Cannabis Group will be hosting investor interest meetings in Richmond and Northern Virginia in April. You can also find VCG at the National Cannabis Festival in Washington, D.C. for the 4/20 weekend. Contact us for more information!

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