

## Clarification on Preliminary Eligibility for Dispensary Applicants

## For immediate release

(Kahnawake - 20, Enniskó:wa/March 2024) In response to inquiries and concerns arising from the release of the list of Dispensary applicants yesterday, the Kahnawake Cannabis Control Board (KCCB) seeks to clarify the meaning of preliminary eligibility and the status of applicants within the Kahnawake Cannabis Control Law framework.

Subject to the Law and its Regulations, a person who satisfies the eligibility criteria in Section 16.16 of the Kahnawake Cannabis Control Law is eligible to apply to the Board for a Dispensary License.

The preliminary eligibility phase serves as a foundational step in the application process. All applicants listed as preliminarily eligible will now undergo thorough due diligence investigations by the Kahnawake Cannabis Control Board to assist in the selection process.

Those listed are, therefore, only preliminary eligible applicants. They have not been issued dispensary licenses, nor have they been deemed lottery contenders at this time.

As per the Regulation Concerning Dispensaries and Dispensary Licenses, only three (3) Dispensary Licenses will be issued within the Territory of Kahnawake.

The Kahnawake Cannabis Control Board remains committed to transparency, fairness, and upholding the integrity of the regulatory framework established to govern cannabis-related activities within the community.

For further inquiries or clarification, please contact the Kahnawake Cannabis Control Board at Cannabis.board@mck.ca.