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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

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FREE ASSISTANCE COMPLETING MEDICAL CANNABIS APPLICATIONS

PITTSFIELD, IL – The Pike County Health Department (PCHD) is partnering with the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) to provide assistance, to qualifying patients, with completing their application for the Medical Cannabis Registry Program. There is no charge for this assistance, however, costs associated with registration fees and other requirements (i.e. passport photo, fingerprint background check, etc.) are the responsibility of the applicant. There are currently 41 debilitating medical conditions included in the Medical Cannabis Pilot Program and a Physicians Certification is required.

The goal of this partnership is to reduce the number of applications received with errors and decrease processing time for applications. In 2017, 90% of applications received had errors, which significantly increased processing time. "PCHD will not be approving applications and we are not certifying that the patient is eligible for the Medical Cannabis Registry Program", states Anita Andress, RN, BSN, Administrator of Pike County Health Department. "We are just helping complete the application and make sure all required documents are submitted to IDPH."

For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact Pike County Health Department at 217-285-4407.

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