

**WAC 246-72-030 Practice parameters.** (1) A certificate holder may only provide services when acting in the capacity of an owner, employee, or volunteer of a retail outlet licensed under RCW 69.50.354 and holding a medical endorsement under RCW 69.50.375.

(2) A certificate holder may:

(a) Perform regular job duties and business functions including, but not limited to, assisting a customer with the selection of cannabis product and other items sold at the retail outlet;

(b) Assist a qualifying patient or designated provider with the following:

(i) Selection of cannabis products and other items sold at the retail outlet that may benefit the qualifying patient's terminal or debilitating medical condition;

(ii) Understanding the risks and benefits of cannabis products and other items sold at the retail outlet;

(iii) Understanding the risks and benefits of methods of administration of cannabis products sold at the retail outlet. Whenever practicable, a certificate holder shall encourage methods of administration other than smoking;

(iv) Advice about the safe handling and storage of cannabis products, including strategies to reduce access by minors;

(v) Instruction and demonstration about proper use and application of cannabis products; and

(vi) Processing the medical cannabis authorization form for the purpose of adding the qualifying patient or designated provider to the database according to WAC 246-71-020.

(3) When discussing a cannabis product with a qualifying patient or their designated provider, a certificate holder shall refer to the product using the cannabinoid profile labeling required by the Washington state liquor and cannabis board in addition to the represented strain name.

(4) A certificate holder shall not:

(a) Offer or undertake to diagnose or cure any human or animal disease, ailment, injury, infirmity, deformity, pain, or other condition, physical or mental, real or imaginary, by use of cannabis products or any other means or instrumentality;

(b) Recommend or suggest modification or elimination of any course of treatment that does not involve the medical use of cannabis products;

(c) Solicit or accept any form of remuneration directly or indirectly, overtly or covertly, in cash or any other form in return for recommending a certain product, producer, processor, clinic, or health care practitioner;

(d) Provide medical cannabis consultant services at any location other than at retail outlets licensed under RCW 69.50.354 and holding a medical endorsement under RCW 69.50.375 for which the certificate holder serves as an owner, employee, or volunteer;

(e) Create their own recognition card pursuant to chapter 246-71 WAC;

(f) Provide free samples of a cannabis product to a customer except pursuant to RCW 69.50.375;

(g) Open or allow a customer, including qualifying patients and designated providers to open a cannabis product on the premises; or

(h) Consume or allow a customer, including qualifying patients and designated providers, to consume any cannabis product on the premises.

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