



Hello S3 Collective friend,

We're thrilled to share updates from our recent successes, including our inaugural networking event and first webinar on cannabis rescheduling. Alongside another productive ASTM International Committee Week, these events couldn't have been possible without your support. We're excited about the future and invite you to continue supporting our mission to ensure standards, science, and safety are at the forefront of the cannabis industry. Stay engaged by checking out our latest activities and upcoming events. Together, we're shaping a credible, safer future.

**Why tune in?** Our newsletter is your window into the evolving world of cannabis standards, science, and safety! Please forward this to someone you feel may be interested in our newsletter and let them know that they can [sign up here](#) for free.

– *David Vaillencourt & Alena Rodriguez, Co-Founders*

## What's inside this edition?

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Have an idea to improve our newsletter or want to get more involved with S3 Collective? Simply reply or fill out the form on our website [here](#).

## S3 Collective Updates

- Thank you to our Gold Sponsor, [Dentons](#), for making our inaugural networking event held in Louisville, KY on 1/22/24 a huge success. If you missed it, we hope to see you at the next one!
- We hosted our first webinar about rescheduling on 1/30/24. If you missed it, check it out [here](#).
- Check out the S3 Collective [website](#) and sign our [pledge](#)!
- Interested in supporting our mission? [Click here](#)!



## Standards Snapshot

- ASTM International's [Committee D37 on Cannabis](#) convened in Louisville, KY, from January 20 - 24. The event offered extensive networking opportunities with industry operators, scientists, and state and federal regulatory agencies. We kicked things off with a workshop on sensory and consumer research for cannabis products, led by Committee E18 on Sensory Evaluation. Workshop participants explored the cannabis consumer-product-production nexus. The week continued with Task Group meetings on topics like hemp testing, occupational health & safety, vaporizer products, pre-roll analysis, and more, alongside a strategic Open Space Technology meeting to

discuss needed industry standards. Lastly, the over a dozen Subcommittees met to discuss recent and ongoing updates on terminology and standards.

- **We hope to see you at the next D37 Committee Week, June 10-12, 2024, in Philadelphia, PA.** If you'll be attending in person, register [here](#)! There will be a special [Workshop on Cannabis Medicine Quality](#) – Barriers, Gaps, and Opportunities for Global Standards: Addressing the Recommendations of the USP-ASTM Cannabis Quality Workshops on June 10 that will be in person only.



## Science Spotlight

- David Nathan from Doctors for Drug Policy Reform (D4DPR) and Petre Grinspoon from Harvard Medical School explore the nuanced link between cannabis and psychosis, discussing the latest science and research on [CNN](#). We are proud to have D4DPR as a signatory to [S3 Collective's Pledge](#)!



# Doctors for Drug Policy Reform

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- A new study published in [Molecules](#) examines the entourage effects associated with whole plant cannabis medicine. The study investigates the therapeutic potential of combined chemical compounds in cannabis such as terpenes, flavonoids, and cannabinoids.

## Safety Scoop

- In a webinar by the Alliance for a Stronger FDA, reported by [Food Navigator USA](#), FDA's Kimberlee Trzeciak discusses the need for a more comprehensive regulatory framework for CBD product labeling to meet FDA safety standards.

## Events

- [The Emerald Conference](#): 4/01 – 4/03 in San Diego, CA
- [Food & Drug Law Institute \(FDLI\) Conference](#) on the Legal and Practical Issues in Cannabis: 4/04 - 4/05 in Washington, DC & virtual
- [MJ Unpacked](#): 4/09 – 4/11 in Atlantic City, NJ
- [Cannabis Science Conference](#): 5/07 – 5/09 in Kansas City, MO
- [CannMed 24 Innovation and Investment Summit](#): 5/12 – 5/15 in Marco Island, FL
- [ASTM D37 Committee Week](#): 6/10 – 6/12 in Philadelphia, PA

## Rulemaking Meetings and Public Comment Periods

All times listed are in local time.

- **Alaska** - The next Marijuana Control Board (MCB) meeting will be on 4/17 at 9am (in person at the Atwood Building Conference Room, 550 W 7th Ave, Anchorage, AK 99501 and a virtual option will be listed [here](#)).
- **California** - The next Cannabis Advisory Committee (CAC) Laboratory Subcommittee will meet on 6/06 at 10am ([virtual](#)).



- **Colorado** - The next Marijuana Enforcement Division (MED) and CO Dept. of Public Health & Environment (CDPHE) Science & Policy Forum meeting to continue discussions on a comprehensive review of the testing program will be on 4/05 from 11am - 1pm ([virtual](#)).
- **Delaware** - The Office of the Marijuana Commissioner (OMC) has posted seven sections of the adult use marijuana regulations for informal public comment and will continue posting sections as they are completed. Send your informal comments to [OMC@delaware.gov](mailto:OMC@delaware.gov). The OMC is targeting 5/01 - 5/31 for a formal public comment period once all the regulations are posted.
- **Kentucky** - Team Kentucky Medical Cannabis Workgroup is meeting on 4/24 (more details to be posted [here](#)).
- **Massachusetts** - The Cannabis Control Commission (CCC) will hold a public meeting on [4/11](#) and [5/09](#) at 10am (in person at the Worcester Union Station and virtual).
- **Michigan** - The Cannabis Regulatory Agency (CRA) will hold a public meeting on 6/13 at 9:30am (in person at the CRA Building and [virtual](#)).
- **Montana** - The next meeting of the [Synthetic Cannabinoid Advisory Council](#) will be on 3/12 from 12pm - 1:30pm ([virtual](#)).
- **New Hampshire** - The next [Therapeutic Cannabis Medical Oversight Board](#) meeting will be on 6/05/24 (in person and [virtual](#)).
- **New Jersey** - The next Cannabis Regulatory Commission ([CRC](#)) public meetings will be on 3/13, 4/11, and 5/08 at 11am, unless otherwise noted (in person at 44 South Clinton Avenue, Trenton).
- **Pennsylvania** - The next Medical Marijuana Advisory Board ([MMAB](#)) meetings will be on 3/20, 5/22, and 7/24 from 10:30am – 12:30pm (in person at Capitol Media Center, State Capitol, Room 01 East Wing, Harrisburg, PA 17126 with a [virtual option](#)).
- **Virginia** - The next Cannabis Control Authority ([CCA](#)) Board of Directors meeting will be on 3/20 from 1pm - 3pm (in person at 333 E. Franklin Street, Richmond, VA 23219 with a [virtual option](#)).
- **Washington** - The response to a petition to consider initiating rulemaking to amend [WAC 314-55-105](#) regarding cannabis harvest dates on product labels will be presented to the Board at the regularly scheduled [Liquor and Cannabis Board meeting](#) on 3/13 at 10am (more information will be posted [here](#)). There will be a Medical Cannabis Endorsement Stakeholder Engagement Session on 3/14 from 2 - 3:30pm ([virtual](#)).
- Are we missing one from your state? [Let us know!](#)

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