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DISTRIBUTORS OF CDS REQUIREMENT TO REPORT SUSPICIOUS CDS ORDERS

On October 1, 2018, a new reporting requirement went into effect for Maryland-registered distributors of controlled dangerous substances ("CDS"). Pursuant to § 5-303 of the Maryland Criminal Law Article, Maryland-registered distributors of CDS are required to report suspicious orders of CDS to both the Maryland Department of Health ("MDH") and the Maryland Office of the Attorney General ("MOAG"). Suspicious orders include orders that are (1) of unusual size; (2) of unusual frequency; or (3) that deviate substantially from a normal pattern. Maryland-registered distributors of CDS may comply with the Maryland reporting requirement by providing to MDH and MOAG a copy of any report made pursuant to the federal reporting requirement under 21 C.F.R. § 1301.74(b). Reports to MDH should be submitted to the Office of Controlled Substances Administration ("OCSA"), a division of the MDH.

HOW TO REPORT SUSPICIOUS CDS ORDERS

For your convenience, OCSA has created a convenient web-based form to facilitate reporting to both MDH and MOAG. You may access the electronic form at: https://health.maryland.gov/ocsa/Pages/Suspicious-CDS-Order-Report.aspx

OR

Submit copies of suspicious order reports made to the Drug Enforcement Administration, by submitting the copies <u>separately</u> to MDH (OCSA) and MOAG either by mail, electronic mail or fax to:

Office of Controlled Substances Administration Attention: Sharell Myers 4201 Patterson Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215 Fax: 410-358-1793

Electronic Mail: reporting.ocsa@maryland.gov

AND

Maryland Office of the Attorney General Attention: Controlled Dangerous Substance Distributor Suspicious Order 200 Saint Paul Place Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Fax: 410-576-7040

Electronic Mail: suspiciousactivityreports@oag.state.md.us