

Dispensary Training 1

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As Arkansas prepares to officially launch its medical marijuana program, companies are offering training in the state to prospective employees of the new industry. Florida-based HempStaff offers classes nationwide for people seeking to work in medical marijuana dispensaries, and is holding two training sessions in Little Rock Saturday. Its C-E-O James Yagielos (you-GAL-ohs) says about 150 people have signed up for the sold-out courses.

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“...and terpenes help.”

A spokesman for the state Department of Finance and Administration says a third company has been cleared to begin growing marijuana. The Department will begin inspecting the 32 dispensaries in the state next month, which means they could begin operation before June.

Dispensary Training 2

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The Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration says it plans to begin inspection of the state’s 32 medical marijuana dispensaries next month. This after three of five companies hoping to grow marijuana in Arkansas passed their final inspections from the Alcoholic Beverage Control Enforcement division. Now a company is offering training for Arkansans hoping to work in marijuana dispensaries. James Yagielos (you-GAL-ohs) is the C-E-O of HempStaff, which is offering two classes in Little Rock Saturday.

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“...have accepted a program.”

Department of Finance and Administration spokesman Scott Hardin tells the Associated Press the state’s dispensaries could begin operation by the middle of next month. Arkansas voters approved a medical marijuana amendment in 2016.