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**Medical Cannabis Advisory Board**  
**Monday, April 6, 2026**  
**3:30-5:00 pm**

Join link:

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1. Call to Order/Roll Call (3 minutes)
2. Approval of Minutes from February 9, 2026 meeting (5 minutes)
3. Board Procedures (2 minutes)
  - Except for the public comment period, participation in Board meetings is limited to members, invited guests, and supporting IDPH staff.
  - Members of the public are encouraged to register to use public comment period for testimony. If time permits, non-registered members of the public will be called upon. If you wish to provide testimony and are not registered, please indicate so using the “raise hand” feature. Individuals making public comment must wait to be recognized.
4. Public Comment (15 minutes)

Please be advised that those wishing to provide public testimony will be called in the order in which they register. Each speaker may speak for up to three minutes. Persons who wish to register to speak may contact Janette Candido at [Eva-Janette.Candido@Illinois.gov](mailto:Eva-Janette.Candido@Illinois.gov)
5. Presentations on Medical Cannabis and Sickle Cell Disease
  - a. Catherine Counard, MD, MPH (Preventive Medicine Medical Advisor, Medical Services Division, Office of the Director, IDPH) (10 minutes)
  - b. Jennifer Light, MD (Assistant Professor of Clinical Pediatrics, Pediatric Hematology/Oncology, Adult Sickle Cell Care, OSF Children’s Hospital of Illinois Cancer & Blood Disorder Institute, UICOMP) (15 minutes)
  - c. Reginald Guadino, PhD (Director-Cannabis Research Institute, University of Illinois) (10 minutes)
  - d. Questions (10 minutes)
6. Discussion of condition and vote for Board recommendation (20 minutes)
7. Upcoming Meeting: To be discussed
8. Adjournment