



Washington State
Liquor and Cannabis Board

Cannabis Potency* Tax Workgroup

October 3, 2019, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Meeting Agenda

1:00 Welcome – Debbie Rough-Mack, Facilitator

- Reminder of group protocols
- Reminder to recognize work group participants on the phone

1:05 Introductions, Work group members and LCB staff

1:15 Discussion Questions – Trecia Ehrlich, Context Setting

- What are possible advantages or opportunities of varying cannabis excise tax rate based on potency rather than sale price?
- What are possible disadvantages or concerns with this change?

2:15 Break

2:30 Discussion Questions

- For each of the possible tax options, what needs to be considered?
 - Tax by concentration of THC (or by mg amount in edibles)
 - Tax by product type (flower, topical, vape, concentrates, edibles, etc.)
 - Tax by range of THC concentrations (20% and above = higher tax, below 20% = lower tax)
 - Hybrid of the options above (or excise tax, plus one of the options above)

3:45 Preparation for Next Meeting

- Preparation expectations
- Communication strategies
- Meeting material sharing/disclosure

4:00 Adjourn

*For the purposes of workgroup discussions, “potency” means THC content or concentration, as presented as a number of milligrams of THC or a percentage of dry weight, respectively.
