

# Legalization of Cannabis: Municipal Impacts

## Considerations for a Progressive and Prosperous Future



May 26<sup>th</sup>

With the impending legalization of cannabis, the UNSM and AMANS have partnered with Nova Scotia Health Authority and the IWK to offer a Cannabis Legalization Symposium.



**Friday, May 26, 2017**

**Four Points Sheraton, 1496 Hollis St., Halifax**

**8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

## SPEAKERS

**Mayor Steven Skadron**  
City of Aspen

**Dr. Robert Strang**  
NS Chief Medical Officer of Health  
NS Health and Wellness

**Bob Purcell**  
Director, FPT Relations and Legislation NS  
Department of Justice

**Rebecca Jesseman, Sr.**  
Policy Advisor & Director  
Canadian Centre on Substance Abuse

**Craig Reid,**  
Senior Advisor  
Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO)

**Senior Planning Officials with HRM**

**Gwenyth Dwyn**  
Mental Health & Addiction Services,  
NSHA

**Brian Johnston, QC**  
Partner  
Stewart Mckelvey

**Kate Johnston**  
Mental Health & Addictions  
IWK Health Centre

## Symposium Objectives

- Discuss municipal issues and impacts associated with the impending legalization of cannabis;
- Identify tools and support for municipal staff to prepare strategies for council consideration;
- Gain insight into cannabis regulation and potential cannabis impacts from other jurisdictions and different orders of government;
- Engage lessons learned from alcohol and tobacco in supporting healthy and safe municipalities;
- Understand best practices in addressing community impacts associated with substance use.

**Plus:** Group table discussions to look at specific areas of interest which could include enforcement, land-use planning and bylaws, cannabis in the workplace and other legalization opportunities and challenges

This is an invitation only event. There is no fee to attend, but registration is required by e-mailing [ajeffs@amans.ca](mailto:ajeffs@amans.ca) by May 15, 2017.

Lunch will be provided

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