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 separately 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