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**OFFICE OF CANNABIS MANAGEMENT LAUNCHES  
'ROADMAP TO ADULT-USE APPLICATIONS'  
STATEWIDE TOUR TO PROVIDE POTENTIAL  
LICENSEES WITH GUIDANCE, SUPPORT**

*From Harlem to Plattsburgh, OCM To Host Workshops Across  
Every Region of New York State*

*New Yorkers Will Have the Opportunity to Receive Real Time  
Answers to Application Questions*

**NEW YORK, NY** – Kicking off the “Roadmap to Adult-Use Applications” tour in Harlem on the evening of October 10, the New York State Office of Cannabis Management (OCM) is hosting workshops in every region of the state to help potential adult-use cannabis licensees navigate the newly opened application portal.

Similar to the [Get Ready, Get Set](#) tour OCM conducted to help entrepreneurs apply for Conditional Adult Use Retail Dispensary (CAURD) licenses last year, members of the OCM team will provide educational presentations on a multitude of license types available to New Yorkers looking to join the budding market.

Attendees of the workshops will have the opportunity to engage with experts, ask questions, and get answers in real time about various pathways to participate in the legal adult-use cannabis market.

“We are excited to kick off the ‘Roadmap to Adult-Use Application’ tour across every region of New York State. This tour is one of the many exciting efforts we are undertaking at OCM to make sure that any and everyone with questions about the right pathway to participate has the tools, knowledge, and awareness they need to be successful right in their backyards,” **said Chris Alexander, Executive Director of The New York State Office of Cannabis Management.** “We are committed to empowering all applicants with the essential knowledge required to actively engage in this opportunity.”

New Yorkers interested in attending a workshop should RSVP at the links below.

Additionally, OCM is excited to announce a series of informative Virtual Live Events focused on the process of applying for the adult-use cannabis licenses. These live sessions will provide valuable insights and guidance on every step of the application process, ensuring they are accessible to everyone. Whether participating in person or watching the live stream on [OCM's YouTube channel](#), these events have been designed with convenience and accessibility in mind.

On October 4th, OCM opened up a general application window to bring the largest expansion of New York State's legal cannabis market to date, as hundreds of licenses are available to individuals and businesses interested in legally growing, processing, distributing, and selling cannabis. The two month application period will close December 4.

New York State will accept applications for review and will begin awarding licenses for cultivators, processors, distributors, microbusinesses, and retail dispensaries in early 2024. During this application window, currently operational Adult-Use Conditional Cultivators and Conditional Processors will also be able to apply to transition to full, non-conditional licenses. Entrepreneurs seeking to apply for licenses will be able to file their applications through the New York Business Express (NYBE) platform, [accessible here](#).

#### **Virtual Events Dates**

- Wed 10/11 – Roadmap to AU Application Walk-through
- Tue 10/24 – Roadmap to AU: Cultivator & Processor Licenses
- Tue 11/07 – Roadmap to AU: Distributor & Retail Licenses
- Wed 11/15 – Roadmap to AU: Microbusiness Licenses

#### **Confirmed Tour Dates**

- Harlem: Tuesday, October 10th, 6pm-8pm  
Adam Clayton Powell Jr. State Office Building,  
Community Room  
163 W 125th St, New York, NY 10027  
Registration link: <https://forms.office.com/g/SbGGEfrDfLv>
- Virtual: Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, 4:20pm-6:20pm  
Roadmap to AU: Application Walk-Through  
View this at OCM's YouTube Page: [https://www.youtube.com/@NYS\\_Cannabis/streams](https://www.youtube.com/@NYS_Cannabis/streams)
- Albany: Thursday, October 12th, 6pm-8pm  
Albany Public Library  
161 Washington Ave, Albany NY 12206  
Registration link: <https://forms.office.com/g/0t9e5JYR0j>
- Westchester: Saturday, October 14th, 10am-3pm  
NewRO Studios  
11 Burling Lane  
New Rochelle, NY 10801  
Registration Link: <https://forms.office.com/g/4adHX4w3uk>

- Farmingdale: Tuesday, October 17th, 6pm-8pm  
CNTR Ballroom A  
2350 Broadhollow Road, Farmingdale, NY 11735  
Registration Link: <https://bit.ly/aufarmingdale>
- Queens: Wednesday, October 18th, 6pm-8pm  
CUNY School of Law  
Auditorium  
2 Ct Square W, Queens, NY 11101  
Registration link: <https://forms.office.com/g/WEU2P7AFA3>
- Virtual: Tuesday, October 24, 4:20pm-6:20pm  
Roadmap to AU: Cultivator and Processor Licenses  
View this at OCM's YouTube Page: [https://www.youtube.com/@NYS\\_Cannabis/streams](https://www.youtube.com/@NYS_Cannabis/streams)
- Syracuse: Thursday, October 26th, 6pm-8pm  
Syracuse Southwest Community Center  
401 South Avenue, Syracuse NY 13204  
Registration link: <https://forms.office.com/g/Fnw78h2E67>
- Ithaca: Monday, October 30th, 5pm-7pm  
Tompkins County Public Library  
101 East Green Street, Ithaca NY 14850  
Registration link: <https://forms.office.com/g/SNzejf8vji>
- Brooklyn: Wednesday, November 1st, 6pm-8pm  
Medgar Evers College, CUNY  
Dining Room, 2nd floor  
1650 Bedford Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11225  
Registration link: <https://forms.office.com/g/4K7keYY3Nq>
- Rochester: Wednesday, November 1st, 6pm-8pm  
Central Library of Rochester & Monroe County  
115 South Ave, Rochester NY 14604  
Registration link: <https://forms.office.com/g/6g5NF9LU3a>
- Buffalo: Thursday, November 2nd, 6pm-8pm  
Northland Workforce Training Center  
683 Northland Avenue, Buffalo NY 14211  
Registration link: <https://forms.office.com/g/8gTKLsykhN>
- Virtual: Tuesday, November 7th, 4:20pm-6:20pm  
Roadmap to AU: Distributor & Retail Licenses  
View this at OCM's YouTube Page: [https://www.youtube.com/@NYS\\_Cannabis/streams](https://www.youtube.com/@NYS_Cannabis/streams)

- Suffolk County: Wednesday, November 8th, 6pm-8pm  
Middle Country Library  
101 Eastwood Boulevard, Centereach, NY 11720  
Registration link: <https://bit.ly/ausuffolk>
- Newburgh: Wednesday, November 8th 6pm-8pm,  
Newburgh YouthBuild  
245 Liberty Street  
Newburgh, NY 12550  
Registration link: <https://forms.office.com/g/VNsrMTNiC5>
- Utica: Thursday, November 9th, 6pm-7:30pm  
Utica Public Library  
303 Genesee Street, Utica NY 13501  
Registration link: <https://forms.office.com/g/re6cEHwCax>
- Schenectady Tuesday, November 14th 6pm-7:30pm  
Schenectady County Public Library  
99 Clinton Street  
Schenectady, New York 12305  
Registration link: <https://forms.office.com/g/dhBnsfWBmk>
- Virtual: Wednesday, November 15th, 4:20pm-6:20pm  
Roadmap to AU: Microbusiness License  
View this at OCM's YouTube Page: [https://www.youtube.com/@NYS\\_Cannabis/streams](https://www.youtube.com/@NYS_Cannabis/streams)
- Plattsburgh: Thursday, November 16th, 6pm-8pm  
Clinton County Mental Health  
130 Arizona Ave  
Plattsburgh, NY 12903  
Registration Link: <https://forms.office.com/g/QRFqrDVgHt>

***More locations, dates and times to be announced.***

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*Join us on our social media platforms or watch the live stream on [our YouTube channel](#) to ensure you're well-prepared to embark on your journey into New York's burgeoning cannabis industry.*