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## Canada has been there: what NZ can learn from their cannabis legalisation and regulation process

Learn from Eric Costen, a senior Canadian Department of Health official who spearheaded the design, development and implementation of new legislation to legalise and strictly regulate cannabis for non-medical purposes.

## **Eric Costen**

Eric Costen is currently the Associate Assistant Deputy Minister of Health Canada's Controlled Substances and Cannabis Branch. In his previous role he was responsible for leading the development of the Cannabis Act, Cannabis Regulations, and for establishing and maintaining intergovernmental, Indigenous, and global partnerships. Over his 14 years in the federal government he has held a range of other health policy positions. Eric has a degree from the University of Ottawa. He is the proud father of four boys.



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