EMPOWER CLINICS ANNOUNCES TRIPLE DIGIT PATIENT GROWTH IN 4Q 2019 AND THE ISSUANCE OF STOCK OPTION GRANTS

VANCOUVER B.C. January 22nd, 2020 – EMPOWER CLINICS INC. (CSE: CBDT) (OTC: EPWCF) (Frankfurt 8EC) ("**Empower**" or the "**Company**"), a vertically integrated and growth-oriented CBD life sciences company, a multi-state operator of medical health & wellness clinics, a CBD product producer and operator of an extraction and CBD product production facility in Oregon, is pleased to announce that patient visits in corporate clinics increased by 351% in 4Q 2019 versus the same period in 2018, with total patient visits of 4,616 4Q 2019 compared to 1,314 in 4Q 2018.

The Company had consistently strong patient traffic in each of the months of October, November and December 2019 versus the same periods in 2018 with 367%, 304% and 397% monthly year-over-year growth respectively.

"I continue to be impressed with the operational excellence our team members provide to patients, who are returning to our clinics in record numbers." said Steven McAuley, Chairman & CEO of Empower. "Having strong year-over-year patient growth, supported by our use of technology and optimized standard operating procedures (SOP's), ensures our clinic operations operate with positive free cash flow."

The Company today announced that it has granted, effective January 22, 2020, an aggregate of 870,000 stock options (each, an "**Option**") to certain employees and contractors of the Company in accordance with the Company's stock option plan. Each Option is exercisable into one common share in the capital of the Company (each, a "**Share**") at a price of \$0.04 per Share, being the closing price of the Shares on the Canadian Securities Exchange on the date of grant and the trading date before the date of grant for a period of three years from the date of grant. The Shares will be subject to a hold period of four months commencing on the date of grant of the Options.

ABOUT EMPOWER

Empower is a vertically-integrated health & wellness brand with it's first hemp-derived CBD extraction facility under development, the Company produces its proprietary line of cannabidiol (CBD) based products and distributes products through company owned and franchised clinics, with wholesale partnerships, online channels and with new retail opportunities nationwide in the U.S. The company is a leading multi-state operator of a network of physician-staffed wellness clinics, focused on helping patients improve and protect their health, through innovative physician recommended treatment options. The company has commenced activity on how to connect its significant data, to the potential of the efficacy of alternative treatment options related to hemp-derived cannabidiol (CBD) therapies.

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