Medical Marijuana Registry Program Update
(as of October 31, 2010)

In the November 2000 general election, Coloradans passed Amendment 20, and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) was tasked with implementing and administering the Medical Marijuana Registry program. In March of 2001, the State of Colorado Board of Health approved the Rules and Regulations pertaining to the administration of the program, and on June 1, 2001, the Registry began accepting and processing applications for registry identification cards.

Statistics of the registry include:

- 117,717 new patient applications have been received to date since the registry began operating in June 2001. The total number of patients who currently possess valid Registry ID cards is 110,100.
- Seventy percent of approved applicants are male.
- The average age of all patients is 40. Currently thirty-two patients are minors (under the age of 18).
- Fifty-six percent of patients reside in the Denver-metro area (Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas & Jefferson counties), with the remainder of patients residing in counties throughout Colorado.
- Patients on the registry represent all the debilitating conditions covered under Amendment 20. Severe pain accounts for 94 percent of all reported conditions; muscle spasms account for the second-most reported condition at 23 percent. Note that percentages do not add up to 100 percent because some patients have more than one condition.
- Sixty-five percent of patients have designated a primary care-giver (someone who has significant responsibility for managing the care of a patient with a debilitating medical condition).
- More than 1,100 different physicians have signed for patients in Colorado.

Please see the attached tables for a complete listing of all statistical information.

As of October 27, 2008 all applications, renewals and changes to the registry must be submitted via mail and include a legible photo copy of the patient's Colorado identification. Faxes and emails are not accepted.

No general funds have been designated for this program. The Colorado Constitution authorizes CDPHE to collect fees to cover the costs of administering the program. Currently the fee is $90, and is evaluated annually by CDPHE. The fee was lowered from $110 on June 1, 2007.

Table I: County Information

County	Number of Patients	Percent of Patients
Adams	7,914	7%
Alamosa	244	<1%
Arapahoe	9,824	9%
Archuleta	352	<1%
Baca	57	<1%
Bent	34	<1%
Boulder	10,304	9%
Broomfield	1,077	1%
Chaffee	493	<1%
Cheyenne	21	<1%
Clear Creek	437	<1%
Conejos	97	<1%
Costilla	104	<1%
Crowley	56	<1%
Custer	68	<1%
Delta	697	1%
Denver	16,333	15%
Dolores	75	<1%

Douglas	3,706	3%
Eagle	1,504	1%
El Paso	11,186	10%
Elbert	376	<1%
Fremont	941	1%
Garfield	1,752	2%
Gilpin	389	<1%
Grand	418	<1%
Gunnison	551	1%
Hinsdale	20	<1%
Huerfano	160	<1%
Jackson	16	<1%
Jefferson	12,842	12%
Kiowa	7	<1%
Kit Carson	42	<1%
La Plata	1,545	1%
Lake	299	<1%
Larimer	8,133	7%
Las Animas	216	<1%
Lincoln	29	<1%
Logan	199	<1%
Mesa	3,136	3%
Mineral	14	<1%
Moffat	180	<1%
Montezuma	600	1%
Montrose	725	1%
Morgan	181	<1%
Otero	157	<1%
Ouray	142	<1%
Park	839	1%
Phillips	31	<1%
Pitkin	814	1%
Prowers	69	<1%
Pueblo	1,979	2%
Rio Blanco	54	<1%
Rio Grande	149	<1%
Routt	936	1%
Saguache	196	<1%
San Juan	29	<1%
San Miguel	566	1%
Sedgwick	21	<1%
Summit	1,423	1%
Teller	881	1%
Washington	49	<1%
Weld	4,230	4%
Yuma	60	<1%

* Indicates fewer than three patients in the category

Table II: Conditions

Reported Condition	Number of Patients Reporting Condition	Percent of Patients Reporting Condition**
Cachexia	1,351	1%
Cancer	2,174	2%
Glaucoma	977	1%
HIV/AIDS	571	1%
Muscle Spasms	25,407	23%
Seizures	1,536	1%
Severe Pain	103,825	94%
Severe Nausea	13,942	13%

**Does not add to 100% as some patients report using medical marijuana for more than
   one debilitating medical condition.

Table III: User Characteristics

Sex	Percent on Registry	Average Age**
Male	70%	39
Female	30%	42

** The overall average age of all patients is 40 years old.