Medical Marijuana Registry Program Update
(as of April 30, 2011)

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:

- 140,341 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 126,005.
- Sixty-nine percent of approved applicants are male.
- The average age of all patients is 40. Currently forty-three 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 21 percent. Note that percentages do not add up to 100 percent because some patients have more than one condition.
- Sixty-two 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	8,925	7%
Alamosa	334	<1%
Arapahoe	11,262	9%
Archuleta	404	<1%
Baca	54	<1%
Bent	51	<1%
Boulder	11,706	9%
Broomfield	1,256	1%
Chaffee	640	1%
Cheyenne	26	<1%
Clear Creek	514	<1%
Conejos	126	<1%
Costilla	135	<1%
Crowley	66	<1%
Custer	99	<1%
Delta	829	1%
Denver	18,882	15%
Dolores	82	<1%

Douglas	4,179	3%
Eagle	1,493	1%
El Paso	13,902	11%
Elbert	426	<1%
Fremont	1,147	1%
Garfield	1,878	1%
Gilpin	448	<1%
Grand	445	<1%
Gunnison	595	<1%
Hinsdale	20	<1%
Huerfano	205	<1%
Jackson	19	<1%
Jefferson	14,420	11%
Kiowa	16	<1%
Kit Carson	52	<1%
La Plata	1,795	1%
Lake	306	<1%
Larimer	8,530	7%
Las Animas	273	<1%
Lincoln	37	<1%
Logan	237	<1%
Mesa	3,542	3%
Mineral	15	<1%
Moffat	217	<1%
Montezuma	664	1%
Montrose	870	1%
Morgan	222	<1%
Otero	204	<1%
Ouray	154	<1%
Park	921	1%
Phillips	30	<1%
Pitkin	878	1%
Prowers	97	<1%
Pueblo	2,640	2%
Rio Blanco	73	<1%
Rio Grande	190	<1%
Routt	1,170	1%
Saguache	239	<1%
San Juan	36	<1%
San Miguel	603	<1%
Sedgwick	22	<1%
Summit	1,520	1%
Teller	1,037	1%
Washington	52	<1%
Weld	4,720	4%
Yuma	75	<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	1,605	1%
Cancer	2,694	2%
Glaucoma	1,138	1%
HIV/AIDS	655	1%
Muscle Spasms	25,936	21%
Seizures	1,776	1%
Severe Pain	118,861	94%
Severe Nausea	15,371	12%

**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	69%	40
Female	31%	42

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