

Medical Marijuana Registry Program Update **(as of October 31, 2012)**

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:

- 198,838 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 108,481.
- Sixty-eight percent of approved applicants are male.
- The average age of all patients is 41. Currently forty-five patients are minors (under the age of 18).
- Fifty-seven 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 17 percent. Note that percentages do not add up to 100 percent because some patients have more than one condition.
- Fifty-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) or a medical marijuana care center.
- Approximately 900 different physicians have signed for current 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 \$35, and is evaluated annually by CDPHE. The fee was lowered from \$110 on June 1, 2007, and was again lowered from \$90 on January 1, 2012.

Table I: County Information

County	Number of Patients	Percent of Patients
Adams	8,050	7%
Alamosa	242	<1%
Arapahoe	10,498	10%
Archuleta	393	<1%
Baca	50	<1%
Bent	55	<1%
Boulder	9,472	9%
Broomfield	1,033	1%
Chaffee	581	1%
Cheyenne	27	<1%
Clear Creek	433	<1%
Conejos	88	<1%
Costilla	135	<1%
Crowley	77	<1%
Custer	120	<1%
Delta	579	1%
Denver	17,420	16%

Dolores	66	<1%
Douglas	3,275	3%
Eagle	1,128	1%
El Paso	14,768	14%
Elbert	313	<1%
Fremont	1,075	1%
Garfield	1,356	1%
Gilpin	389	<1%
Grand	382	<1%
Gunnison	358	<1%
Hinsdale	20	<1%
Huerfano	216	<1%
Jackson	14	<1%
Jefferson	12,077	11%
Kiowa	12	<1%
Kit Carson	67	<1%
La Plata	1,705	2%
Lake	207	<1%
Larimer	5,064	5%
Las Animas	230	<1%
Lincoln	41	<1%
Logan	207	<1%
Mesa	2,243	2%
Mineral	10	<1%
Moffat	201	<1%
Montezuma	695	1%
Montrose	664	1%
Morgan	210	<1%
Otero	251	<1%
Ouray	128	<1%
Park	713	1%
Phillips	36	<1%
Pitkin	722	1%
Prowers	112	<1%
Pueblo	2,876	3%
Rio Blanco	67	<1%
Rio Grande	152	<1%
Routt	957	1%
Saguache	222	<1%
San Juan	20	<1%
San Miguel	342	<1%
Sedgwick	22	<1%
Summit	1,044	1%
Teller	935	1%
Washington	63	<1%
Weld	3,483	3%
Yuma	90	<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	1,297	1%
Cancer	2,869	3%
Glaucoma	1,108	1%
HIV/AIDS	686	1%
Muscle Spasms	18,293	17%
Seizures	1,843	2%
Severe Pain	101,579	94%
Severe Nausea	12,198	11%

**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	68%	41
Female	32%	43

** The overall average age of all patients is 41 years old.