Medical Marijuana Registry Program Update
(as of April 30, 2013)

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:

- 217,465 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 107,262.
- Sixty-seven percent of approved applicants are male.
- The average age of all patients is 41. Currently thirty-five patients are minors (under the age of 18).
- Fifty-eight 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 15 percent. Note that percentages do not add up to 100 percent because some patients have more than one condition.
- Fifty-seven 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.
- More than 800 different physicians have signed for current patients in Colorado.
- The average processing time for applications during this month was 22 days.

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	8,257	8%
Alamosa	205	<1%
Arapahoe	10,997	10%
Archuleta	378	<1%
Baca	42	<1%
Bent	55	<1%
Boulder	9,088	8%
Broomfield	1,048	1%
Chaffee	580	1%
Cheyenne	28	<1%
Clear Creek	395	<1%
Conejos	69	<1%
Costilla	135	<1%
Crowley	63	<1%
Custer	116	<1%
Delta	473	<1%

Denver	17,969	17%
Dolores	69	<1%
Douglas	3,429	3%
Eagle	1,079	1%
El Paso	14,628	14%
Elbert	325	<1%
Fremont	982	1%
Garfield	1,264	1%
Gilpin	328	<1%
Grand	398	<1%
Gunnison	286	<1%
Hinsdale	16	<1%
Huerfano	212	<1%
Jackson	13	<1%
Jefferson	11,942	11%
Kiowa	15	<1%
Kit Carson	67	<1%
La Plata	1,661	2%
Lake	204	<1%
Larimer	4,677	4%
Las Animas	204	<1%
Lincoln	49	<1%
Logan	212	<1%
Mesa	1,975	2%
Mineral	9	<1%
Moffat	186	<1%
Montezuma	660	1%
Montrose	604	1%
Morgan	199	<1%
Otero	231	<1%
Ouray	131	<1%
Park	655	1%
Phillips	29	<1%
Pitkin	678	1%
Prowers	117	<1%
Pueblo	2,801	3%
Rio Blanco	71	<1%
Rio Grande	129	<1%
Routt	844	1%
Saguache	194	<1%
San Juan	18	<1%
San Miguel	324	<1%
Sedgwick	23	<1%
Summit	980	1%
Teller	918	1%
Washington	53	<1%
Weld	3,385	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	1,166	1%
Cancer	2,845	3%
Glaucoma	1,072	1%
HIV/AIDS	651	1%
Muscle Spasms	16,412	15%
Seizures	1,854	2%
Severe Pain	100,509	94%
Severe Nausea	11,430	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	67%	41
Female	33%	43

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