

Medical Marijuana Registry Program Update **(as of June 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:

- 223,693 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 106,817.
- Sixty-seven percent of approved applicants are male.
- The average age of all patients is 42. Currently thirty-nine patients are minors (under the age of 18).
- Fifty-nine 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-eight 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 received during this month was 12 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	8,278	8%
Alamosa	202	<1%
Arapahoe	11,029	10%
Archuleta	379	<1%
Baca	39	<1%
Bent	58	<1%
Boulder	9,045	8%
Broomfield	1,065	1%
Chaffee	591	1%
Cheyenne	29	<1%
Clear Creek	389	<1%
Conejos	67	<1%
Costilla	136	<1%
Crowley	57	<1%
Custer	114	<1%
Delta	474	<1%

Denver	17,968	17%
Dolores	70	<1%
Douglas	3,480	3%
Eagle	1,052	1%
El Paso	14,572	14%
Elbert	312	<1%
Fremont	970	1%
Garfield	1,211	1%
Gilpin	318	<1%
Grand	390	<1%
Gunnison	293	<1%
Hinsdale	15	<1%
Huerfano	210	<1%
Jackson	12	<1%
Jefferson	11,913	11%
Kiowa	17	<1%
Kit Carson	69	<1%
La Plata	1,659	2%
Lake	201	<1%
Larimer	4,620	4%
Las Animas	206	<1%
Lincoln	47	<1%
Logan	213	<1%
Mesa	1,920	2%
Mineral	10	<1%
Moffat	179	<1%
Montezuma	656	1%
Montrose	578	1%
Morgan	195	<1%
Otero	244	<1%
Ouray	136	<1%
Park	645	1%
Phillips	29	<1%
Pitkin	660	1%
Prowers	113	<1%
Pueblo	2,755	3%
Rio Blanco	70	<1%
Rio Grande	125	<1%
Routt	824	1%
Saguache	180	<1%
San Juan	19	<1%
San Miguel	306	<1%
Sedgwick	26	<1%
Summit	954	1%
Teller	894	1%
Washington	48	<1%
Weld	3,395	3%
Yuma	86	<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	1,137	1%
Cancer	2,843	3%
Glaucoma	1,070	1%
HIV/AIDS	638	1%
Muscle Spasms	15,664	15%
Seizures	1,824	2%
Severe Pain	100,112	94%
Severe Nausea	11,216	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%	44

** The overall average age of all patients is 42 years old.