

**Medical Marijuana Registry Program Update**  
**(as of April 30, 2014)**

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:

- 258,780 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 116,180.
- Sixty-six percent of approved applicants are male.
- The average age of all patients is 42. Currently 307 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 14 percent. Note that percentages do not add up to 100 percent because some patients have more than one condition.
- Fifty-four 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.

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 \$15, and it is evaluated annually by CDPHE. The fee was lowered from \$110 on June 1, 2007, from \$90 on January 1, 2012, and from \$35 on February 1, 2014.

Table I: County Information

<b>County</b>	<b>Number of Patients</b>	<b>Percent of Patients</b>
Adams	8,995	8%
Alamosa	220	<1%
Arapahoe	12,459	11%
Archuleta	465	<1%
Baca	36	<1%
Bent	69	<1%
Boulder	9,051	8%
Broomfield	1,175	1%
Chaffee	519	<1%
Cheyenne	25	<1%
Clear Creek	409	<1%
Conejos	66	<1%
Costilla	134	<1%
Crowley	62	<1%
Custer	102	<1%
Delta	484	<1%
Denver	20,186	17%

Dolores	67	<1%
Douglas	3,796	3%
Eagle	1,157	1%
El Paso	16,631	14%
Elbert	324	<1%
Fremont	1,055	1%
Garfield	1,240	1%
Gilpin	301	<1%
Grand	384	<1%
Gunnison	304	<1%
Hinsdale	12	<1%
Huerfano	208	<1%
Jackson	22	<1%
Jefferson	13,044	11%
Kiowa	19	<1%
Kit Carson	76	<1%
La Plata	1,727	1%
Lake	196	<1%
Larimer	5,093	4%
Las Animas	211	<1%
Lincoln	53	<1%
Logan	209	<1%
Mesa	1,865	2%
Mineral	22	<1%
Moffat	163	<1%
Montezuma	644	1%
Montrose	596	1%
Morgan	198	<1%
Otero	270	<1%
Ouray	169	<1%
Park	688	1%
Phillips	33	<1%
Pitkin	643	1%
Prowers	125	<1%
Pueblo	2,987	3%
Rio Blanco	62	<1%
Rio Grande	151	<1%
Routt	831	1%
Saguache	163	<1%
San Juan	19	<1%
San Miguel	271	<1%
Sedgwick	59	<1%
Summit	943	1%
Teller	911	1%
Washington	62	<1%
Weld	3,630	3%
Yuma	89	<1%

\* Indicates fewer than three patients in the category

Table II: Conditions

<b>Reported Condition</b>	<b>Number of Patients Reporting Condition</b>	<b>Percent of Patients Reporting Condition**</b>
Cachexia	1,155	1%
Cancer	3,454	3%
Glaucoma	1,198	1%
HIV/AIDS	679	1%
Muscle Spasms	15,702	14%
Seizures	2,338	2%
Severe Pain	108,635	94%
Severe Nausea	11,218	10%

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

Table III: User Characteristics

<b>Sex</b>	<b>Percent on Registry</b>	<b>Average Age**</b>
Male	66%	41
Female	34%	44

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