

Medical Marijuana Registry Program Update
(as of June 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:

- 264,725 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 113,506.
- Sixty-six percent of approved applicants are male.
- The average age of all patients is 42. Currently 357 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 93 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-three 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

County	Number of Patients	Percent of Patients
Adams	8,557	8%
Alamosa	227	<1%
Arapahoe	12,095	11%
Archuleta	504	<1%
Baca	33	<1%
Bent	62	<1%
Boulder	8,659	8%
Broomfield	1,166	1%
Chaffee	486	<1%
Cheyenne	25	<1%
Clear Creek	402	<1%
Conejos	76	<1%
Costilla	137	<1%
Crowley	60	<1%
Custer	99	<1%
Delta	488	<1%
Denver	19,375	17%

Dolores	61	<1%
Douglas	3,720	3%
Eagle	1,108	1%
El Paso	16,717	15%
Elbert	312	<1%
Fremont	1,086	1%
Garfield	1,232	1%
Gilpin	292	<1%
Grand	375	<1%
Gunnison	275	<1%
Hinsdale	11	<1%
Huerfano	202	<1%
Jackson	24	<1%
Jefferson	12,722	11%
Kiowa	19	<1%
Kit Carson	66	<1%
La Plata	1,785	2%
Lake	179	<1%
Larimer	5,038	4%
Las Animas	240	<1%
Lincoln	53	<1%
Logan	213	<1%
Mesa	1,806	2%
Mineral	28	<1%
Moffat	163	<1%
Montezuma	616	1%
Montrose	605	1%
Morgan	197	<1%
Otero	254	<1%
Ouray	161	<1%
Park	684	1%
Phillips	36	<1%
Pitkin	617	1%
Prowers	120	<1%
Pueblo	2,995	3%
Rio Blanco	62	<1%
Rio Grande	152	<1%
Routt	792	1%
Saguache	166	<1%
San Juan	21	<1%
San Miguel	270	<1%
Sedgwick	59	<1%
Summit	899	1%
Teller	930	1%
Washington	59	<1%
Weld	3,545	3%
Yuma	88	<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	1110	1%
Cancer	3475	3%
Glaucoma	1181	1%
HIV/AIDS	675	1%
Muscle Spasms	15741	14%
Seizures	2368	2%
Severe Pain	106085	93%
Severe Nausea	10814	10%

**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	66%	41
Female	34%	44

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