

**Medical Marijuana Registry Program Update**  
**(as of December 31, 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:

- 283,587 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 115,467.
- Sixty-five percent of approved applicants are male.
- The average age of all patients is 42. Currently 462 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 93 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.
- Forty-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.
- Nearly 820 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	8,688	8%
Alamosa	219	<1%
Arapahoe	12,131	11%
Archuleta	594	1%
Baca	35	<1%
Bent	62	<1%
Boulder	8,343	7%
Broomfield	1,205	1%
Chaffee	487	<1%
Cheyenne	27	<1%
Clear Creek	399	<1%
Conejos	74	<1%
Costilla	147	<1%
Crowley	62	<1%
Custer	100	<1%
Delta	517	<1%
Denver	19,269	17%

Dolores	61	<1%
Douglas	3,767	3%
Eagle	1,231	1%
El Paso	17,986	16%
Elbert	315	<1%
Fremont	1,163	1%
Garfield	1,247	1%
Gilpin	300	<1%
Grand	376	<1%
Gunnison	276	<1%
Hinsdale	12	<1%
Huerfano	188	<1%
Jackson	25	<1%
Jefferson	12,637	11%
Kiowa	12	<1%
Kit Carson	64	<1%
La Plata	1,861	2%
Lake	174	<1%
Larimer	5,189	4%
Las Animas	321	<1%
Lincoln	48	<1%
Logan	245	<1%
Mesa	1,879	2%
Mineral	29	<1%
Moffat	198	<1%
Montezuma	682	1%
Montrose	629	1%
Morgan	202	<1%
Otero	261	<1%
Ouray	170	<1%
Park	693	1%
Phillips	47	<1%
Pitkin	565	<1%
Prowers	104	<1%
Pueblo	3,122	3%
Rio Blanco	71	<1%
Rio Grande	167	<1%
Routt	834	1%
Saguache	164	<1%
San Juan	24	<1%
San Miguel	281	<1%
Sedgwick	79	<1%
Summit	871	1%
Teller	936	1%
Washington	60	<1%
Weld	3,466	3%
Yuma	76	<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	1,024	1%
Cancer	3,870	3%
Glaucoma	1,254	1%
HIV/AIDS	686	1%
Muscle Spasms	17,644	15%
Seizures	2,619	2%
Severe Pain	107,848	93%
Severe Nausea	11,556	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)

<b>Sex</b>	<b>Percent on Registry</b>	<b>Average Age**</b>
Male	65%	41
Female	35%	45

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

Table IV: User Characteristics (Age in Years)

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>Number of Patients</b>	<b>Percent on Registry</b>
0-10	278	<1%
11-20	6,213	5%
21-30	26,706	23%
31-40	24,034	21%
41-50	18,715	16%
51-60	22,025	19%
61-70	14,818	13%
71 and Older	2,677	2%