

Medical Cannabis Program

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Current Statistics

- 18,343 Active Patients
- 3,983 Have Personal Production License (PPL)
- This number represents an increase in 6,757 active enrollees over the same time last year (October 2014)

Condition	Applicants	Percentage
PTSD	8,338	45.4%
Chronic Pain	5,120	27.9%
Cancer	1,553	8.5%



Regulation Changes

- February 2015 - new rule changes adopted, primarily to producer rule, including:
 - Increase in the number of plants that non-profit producers can possess (from 150 to 450);
 - New testing and labeling requirements for cannabis products;
 - New provisions for approval of manufacturers, laboratories and couriers; and
 - Changes to licensing fees for non-profit producers.
- Last year the program also added Parkinson's disease, Huntington's Disease, and Ulcerative Colitis to the list of conditions approved for enrollment.
- New rule changes anticipated soon. Removal of non-profit producer confidentiality provision; amendment to patient rule to remove requirement of attestation that "standard treatments have failed to bring adequate relief"; and removal of certain restrictions on who can diagnose certain medical conditions (PTSD, chronic pain, inflammatory autoimmune-mediated arthritis).



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New Tracking System

- Program held an open RFP for the selection of a new database.
- BioTrack THC was selected. BioTrack is used by three other states (Washington, Illinois, and New York), and is also used by producers in 19 additional states.
- This system will enable the Department to gather better statistics on producer inventory and sales, as well as purchases.
- System will provide better tracking of available product, and will track plants from seed to sale.
- System will allow for better assessment of patient purchases, and will help the Department to better assess supply and demand within the program.



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Producer Licensure

- The Department recently completed a review of 86 applications for licensed producers.
- Applications were scored by a committee of four employees, which issued recommendations to the Secretary.
- The Secretary provisionally approved 12 applicants for licensure as producers, and denied all other applications. The 12 applicants are working with the Program to obtain final licensure.
- The 12 applications selected displayed a strong knowledge of the growth process, strong distribution plans to reach underserved communities, and offered a variety of products to meet enrollees needs.



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Outreach efforts

- Presentations to medical providers around the State of New Mexico.
- 13 presentations conducted with the past year, with eight being to medical providers. The remaining presentations were to various support groups.
- Program staff working on development of materials for enrollees and the community to create more awareness on enrollment process.
- Medical directors are reaching out to individual medical providers to educate about the use of cannabis and enrollments requirements.



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