

Kansas Medical Cannabis Act

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The Kansas Medical Cannabis Act ensures Kansans in need will get access to medical cannabis to manage pain and established medical conditions. The Act is for medical use only and does not allow for recreational use of cannabis. The Act creates a regulated and taxed system, with only licensed medical professionals allowed to issue prescriptions. The Act also provides new opportunities for the Kansas agriculture industry, with all medical cannabis to be grown in the state of Kansas. **The legislation also assists Veterans' of America's military by making them the first eligible for licenses to grow and dispense medical cannabis.**

KANSAS MEDICAL CANNABIS ACT FAQ

Who is eligible to purchase a medical cannabis? A qualified patient is a person who is a resident of Kansas, has been diagnosed by a licensed physician as having a qualifying medical condition, and has a written certification issued by the patient's physician.

What are qualifying medical conditions? They include: sclerosis; cancer; Crohn's disease; damage to the spinal cord; epilepsy or any other seizure disorder; glaucoma; human immunodeficiency virus or acquired immune deficiency syndrome; Huntington's disease; severe inflammatory arthritis; intractable nausea or vomiting; multiple sclerosis; Parkinson's disease; post-traumatic stress disorder; severe chronic pain; severe anorexia; admission to hospice; or any medical condition that results in pain, suffering or debility and for which there is credible evidence satisfactory that medical cannabis could benefit, as specified in rules and regulations adopted by the board of pharmacy.

How does a person get written certification? A written certification is a statement made and signed by a patient's licensed physician that has a valid healthcare provider-patient relationship with the patient; the provider has lawful authority to issue the certificate and in the healthcare provider's opinion the potential health benefits of medical cannabis would outweigh potential health risks.

Which healthcare providers can issue certification? Physician, licensed advanced practice registered nurse, or a licensed physician assistant.

Which agency can issue patient information cards (PICs)? A qualified patient must apply for a patient information card from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment. A qualified patient must present the certification and PIC to a dispensary to purchase medical cannabis.

What is the application fee for a PIC card? The application fee is \$50 unless the qualifying patient is a Medicaid recipient in which case the fee is \$10.

Where can medical cannabis be purchased? A licensed medical cannabis dispensary.

How much medical cannabis can be purchased at once? An adequate supply is an amount of medical cannabis that is no more than reasonably necessary as specified in rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Pharmacy.

Who can own a medical cannabis dispensary? An individual or non-profit business entity may apply to the state Board of Pharmacy for initial or renewed licensure as a medical cannabis dispensary.

Which agency regulates dispensaries? The State Board of Pharmacy licenses dispensaries and creates rules and regulations for oversight.

What is the application fee for a dispensary? Set by the Board of Pharmacy through rules and regulations, not to exceed \$5,000.

What is the license fee for a dispensary? Set by the Board of Pharmacy through rules and regulations, not to exceed \$30,000

Which agency regulates distributor growers? The Cannabis Regulatory Commission at the Department of Revenue licenses distributor growers and creates rules and regulations for oversight.

What is the application fee for distributor growers? Set by the Cannabis Regulatory Commission, not to exceed \$15,000.

What is the license fee for distributor growers? Set by the Cannabis Regulatory Commission, not to exceed \$90,000.

Will medical cannabis be taxed? A tax will be imposed for the privilege of growing and harvesting medical cannabis at a rate of \$115 per pound or each portion of a pound. A tax will be imposed upon the privilege of selling or dispensing medical cannabis by any licensed medical cannabis dispensary, at the rate of \$3 per ounce of such products and a proportionate tax at the like rate on all fractional parts thereof.

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