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Patient Count: 23,350
Ordering Physician Count: 944

Medical marijuana was approved by 71 percent of Florida voters in 2016. During this year’s special session, the Florida Legislature crafted Senate Bill 8-A, which provides a framework for patients to access medical marijuana safely. On July 3, 2017, the department adopted Regulation 1-1.01: Medical Marijuana for Debilitating Medical Conditions, to implement Senate Bill 8-A (Ch. 2017-232, Laws of Florida) and Article X, Section 29 of the Florida Constitution.

Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers: Approved medical marijuana treatment centers, formally called dispensing organizations, are the only businesses allowed to grow, process, or sell medical marijuana in Florida. Each medical marijuana treatment center must receive authorization at three stages, (1) cultivation authorization, (2) processing authorization, and (3) dispensing authorization, prior to dispensing low-THC or medical marijuana. Currently, six of the seven medical marijuana treatment centers have received dispensing authorization and are authorized to deliver statewide. Aside from patients or their legal representatives, medical marijuana treatment center employees are the only individuals allowed to transport medical marijuana. Medical marijuana cannot be mailed.

The Department is not accepting applications to become a medical marijuana treatment center at this time. For more information, please visit the Office of Medical Marijuana Use website.

Department of Health Approved Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers/Dispensing Organizations		
Name	Authorization Stage	Locations
Trulieve	(3) dispensing	Tallahassee, Tampa, Clearwater, Pensacola, Miami, Edgewater, The Villages, Jacksonville, St. Petersburg, delivery
Surterra Therapeutics	(3) dispensing	Tallahassee, Tampa, delivery
Modern Health Concepts	(3) dispensing	Miami, delivery
Knox Medical	(3) dispensing	Gainesville, Orlando, delivery
CHT Medical	(3) dispensing	Delivery
The Green Solution	(3) dispensing	Delivery
GrowHealthy	(1) cultivation	N/A

The Medical Marijuana Use Registry: All orders for medical marijuana are recorded and dispensed via the Medical Marijuana Use Registry. The Medical Marijuana Use Registry is accessible online, with real time information to ordering physicians, law enforcement and dispensing organization staff. Patients and legal representatives may also access the Medical Marijuana Use Registry to submit a Medical Marijuana Use Registry Identification Card application, and check the status of their application.

Restrictions for Use & Administration: Section 381.986, Florida Statutes, prohibits patients from smoking low-THC cannabis or medical marijuana. This means that patients should not have whole flower as part of their order. Florida law does not allow for home grow of low-THC cannabis or medical marijuana.

For More Information: If you have questions related to medical marijuana regulations, please reach out to the Office of Medical Marijuana Use at 850-245-4657 and visit <http://www.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/office-of-medical-marijuana-use/index.html>