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FY 2022 Medical Marijuana Patient and Caregiver Registry Statistics

On December 3, 2018, the State Board of Pharmacy activated the Ohio Medical Marijuana Control Program (MMCP) Patient and Caregiver Registry. The Registry allows certified physicians to register patients and caregivers and to issue recommendations for the use of medical marijuana. Patients and caregivers are then able to use the system to complete registration for a medical marijuana patient registry card, update registration information, and pay the required annual fee. There are currently 25 qualifying medical conditions.

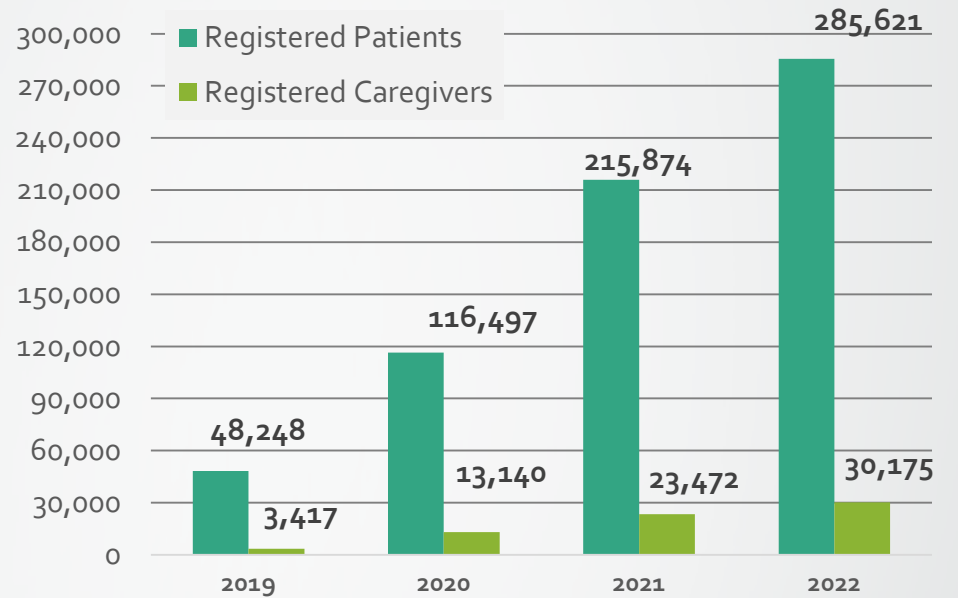
3 Steps to Legally Obtain Medical Marijuana

To obtain medical marijuana through the MMCP, a person must complete the following three steps:

- 1 Receive a recommendation from a certified physician confirming that a person has a qualifying medical condition,
- 2 Register with the State Board of Pharmacy, including paying the required fee, and
- 3 Purchase medical marijuana from a dispensary licensed by the State Board of Pharmacy.

As of June 2022, doctors had recommended medical marijuana for 526,255 people. 285,621 patients and 30,175 caregivers had completed registration with the Patient and Caregiver Registry. Of registered patients, 265,520, or 93.0%, had made at least one purchase from a licensed dispensary. Compared to June 2021, recommendations had increased by 68.1%, registered patients and caregivers by 31.9%, and unique patients who had made a purchase by 53.3%.

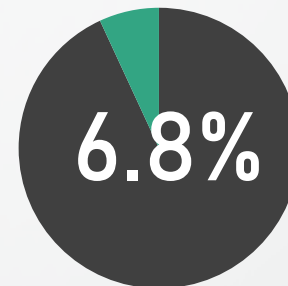
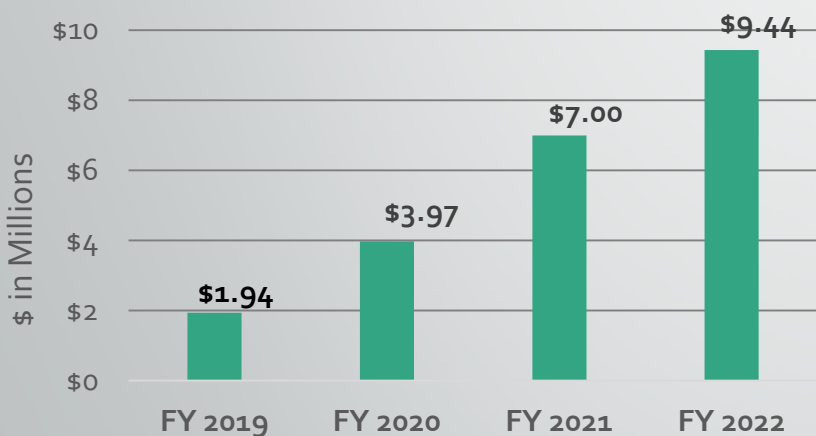
Registered Patients and Caregivers (as of June of each year)



Registration Fee Revenue

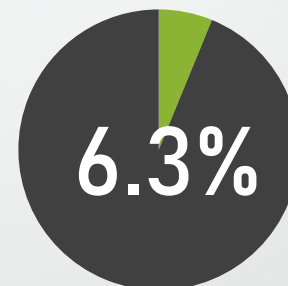
The annual cost of a medical marijuana registration is \$50 for patients and \$25 for caregivers, subject to reductions for indigent or veteran status. The money is credited to the Medical Marijuana Control Program Fund (Fund 5SYo), along with fees collected to issue licenses to MMCP dispensaries, cultivators, processors, and testing laboratories. The fund is used by the Board of Pharmacy and the Department of Commerce to pay for their respective operating costs in administering the MMCP.

In FY 2022, patient and caregiver registration fees totaled \$9.44 million, an increase of \$2.44 million, or 35%, from FY 2021 revenues of \$7.0 million.



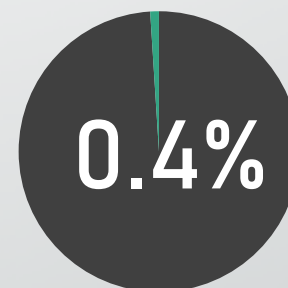
Indigent Status

As of June 2022, 6.8% (19,536) of registered patients qualified for indigent status. Indigent applicants are eligible to have their registration fee reduced by 50%.



Veteran Status

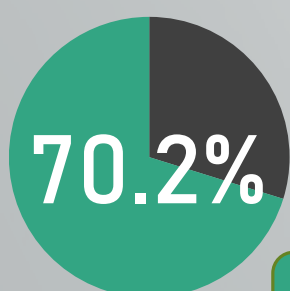
As of June 2022, 6.3% (18,058) of registered patients qualified for veteran status. Veteran applicants are eligible to have their registration fee reduced by 50%.



Terminal Diagnosis

As of June 2022, 0.4% (1,122) of registered patients had a terminal diagnosis meaning a qualifying medical condition for which a prospective patient has received a diagnosis for a life expectancy of six months or less if the illness runs its normal course.

Number of Registered Patients Recommended by Qualifying Medical Condition



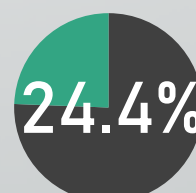
Pain

that is either chronic and severe or intractable
200,560

Of the 285,621 registered patients in June 2022, many had multiple qualifying conditions.

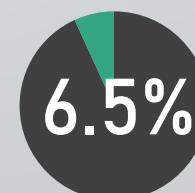
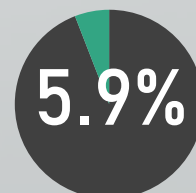
PTSD

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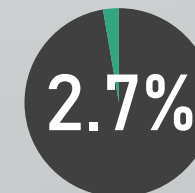
Cancer

16,942



Fibromyalgia

18,658



Spinal Cord

Disease or injury
7,606

Other Qualifying Medical Conditions (Registered Patients; Percentage of Patients)

Epilepsy/Seizure Disorder (6,797; 2.4%), Hepatitis C (5,455; 1.9%), Inflammatory Bowel Disease (4,646; 1.6%), Traumatic Brain Injury (4,168; 1.5%), Multiple Sclerosis (3,699; 1.3%), Crohn's Disease (3,688; 1.3%), Glaucoma (3,239; 1.1%), Ulcerative Colitis (2,292; 0.8%), HIV (1,663; 0.6%), Parkinson's Disease (1,485; 0.5%), Tourette's Syndrome (897; 0.3%), Spasticity (725; 0.3%), Cachexia (505; 0.2%), Alzheimer's Disease (469; 0.2%), Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy (371; 0.1%), AIDS (264; 0.1%), Sickle Cell Anemia (244; 0.1%), Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (191; 0.1%), Terminal Illness (87; 0.0%), Huntington's (14; 0.0%)