
Medical Marijuana

Dear Friend:

New York State Department of Health recently expanded the State's Medical Marijuana Program with the goal of improving patient, practitioner and provider experiences.

Major recent developments include:

- Five additional Registered Organizations are approved to open 20 additional dispensaries within the year
- Medical Marijuana may now be distributed in topicals and semi-solid product form.
- Chronic Pain is now a qualifying condition for patients seeking Medical Marijuana use.
- Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants may now certify patients for Medical Marijuana use.
- Mandatory practitioner education has been reduced to a two hour course (down from four hours), which may be accessed through TheAnswerPage.com
- Home Delivery of medical marijuana is now permitted.
- Telemedicine is approved for patient access to treatment for qualified conditions.
- Registered practitioners may now consent to be part of a state-wide public directory.

Currently there are 1,263 practitioners and 32,597 patients participating in New York's Medical Marijuana Program. [Abrams Fensterman, LLP](#) continues to be at the forefront of the [Medical Marijuana](#) developments in New York State. Please contact Elizabeth S. Kase, Esq. with any inquiries you may have about Medical Marijuana law in New York State.