

# Your patient would like to receive medical cannabis through the Minnesota State medical cannabis program.

**The law:** On May 29, 2014 the Governor of Minnesota signed into law a medical cannabis therapeutic use law, 2014 Minnesota Laws chapter 311. The law is intended to enable truly sick patients to engage in the therapeutic use of cannabis while preventing it being misused or diverted from its medical purpose. Another purpose of the program is to generate and collect data in a science-based approach, to move the evidence relating to the efficacy of cannabis in treating specified medical conditions from the anecdotal to something more structured.

The process: As of June 1, 2015, Minnesota-licensed health care practitioners are able to certify the qualifying conditions of patients, who will then be able to apply for registry with the Minnesota Department of Health's office of Medical Cannabis (OMC). As of July 1, 2015, registered patients may make appointments to consult with pharmacists and purchase medicine at any designated medical cannabis dispensary in the state.

**Your role:** Your patient is requesting you verify that they are a patient, and to certify that they have one or more of the qualifying conditions. Qualifying condition certification is then completed by you online. Please visit *leaflinelabs.com/hcp* for a direct link.

### You are NOT:

- Required to participate
- Legally liable following your certification of a qualifying condition
- Asked to recommend medical cannabis, prescribe medical cannabis, or responsible to determine cannabinoid formulations or dosage forms (specially trained licensed pharmacists are responsible for this in Minnesota).

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## HEALTHCARE PRACTITIONER CHECKLIST



#### 1. CREATE AN ACCOUNT

If you haven't already done so for a previous patient, create an account in the cannabis registry. Visit *leaflinelabs.com/hcp* for a direct link.



# 2. CERTIFY A PATIENT AND SUBMIT REQUIRED INFORMATION

You will be asked to certify that the patient has one of these qualifying conditions:

- Intractable pain
- Cancer with sever/chronic pain, with nausea or severe vomiting, and/or with cachexia or severe wasting
- Glaucoma
- HIV/AIDS
- Tourette's Syndrome
- Inflammatory Bowel Disease, including Crohn's
- Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)
- Seizures, including those characteristic of Epilepsy
- Severe and persistent muscle spasms, including those characteristic Multiple Sclerosis
- Terminal illness (life expectancy of less than one year) with severe/chronic pain, with nausea or severe vomiting and/or with cachexia or severe wasting
- Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)

You will also need to enter patient information and email address, indicate a parent, legal guardian or caregiver, and agree to acknowledgments.



#### 3. PROVIDE PATIENT A VISIT

Give the patient a summary of their last visit, which should include a list of their current medications and conditions. This will be used by a LeafLine Labs pharmacist for determining proper medicine and dosing.