

# Medical Cannabis Card Overview

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## 1. Doctor Recommendation



A qualified medical provider (QMP) recommends medical cannabis treatment to a patient with a qualifying condition\*

### Qualifying conditions

- HIV or AIDS
- Alzheimer's disease
- Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis
- Cancer
- Cachexia
- Persistent nausea, under certain conditions
- Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis
- Epilepsy or debilitating seizures
- Multiple sclerosis or persistent and debilitating muscle spasms
- PTSD, under certain conditions
- Autism
- Terminal illnesses, under certain conditions
- Condition resulting in hospice care
- Rare conditions, under certain conditions
- Pain lasting longer than two weeks, under certain conditions
- Condition the Compassionate Use Board approves, on a case-by-case basis

## 2. Card Application



Patient applies for a medical cannabis card with QMP at QMP's office through Electronic Verification System (EVS)

### Medical Cannabis Patient Card qualifications

- 21 or older (18, 19, or 20 if Compassionate Use Board recommends approval of card)
- Utah resident
- Provide name, gender, age, and address
- Sign acknowledgment of risks
- Pay fee

### Other medical cannabis cards:

- Medical Cannabis Guardian Card
- Provisional Patient Card (for a minor in connection with a Medical Cannabis Guardian Card)
- Medical Cannabis Caregiver Card (for a designated caregiver)

## 3. Card Issuance



The Department of Health evaluates application and issues card within 15 days, if applicant qualifies

### Medical Cannabis Patient Card

- Valid for up to 30 days at first, then 6 months
- Renewable (with fee)

### Medical Cannabis Guardian Card

- Valid for up to 30 days at first, then 6 months
- Renewable (with fee)

### Provisional Patient Card

- Issued automatically with guardian card (no fee)
- Renews automatically with guardian card (no fee)

### Medical Cannabis Caregiver Card

- Generally, card renews automatically with associated medical cannabis patient or guardian card (with fee)

## 4. Cardholder Requirements



Presumption a cardholder possesses cannabis legally, if requirements followed

### A medical cannabis cardholder:

- may only purchase, possess, transport, and (if patient) use certain cannabis in medicinal dosage form
- must carry card on person at all times cardholder is in possession of cannabis
- must have identification label for cannabis in cardholder's possession
- may not use cannabis in public view, except in an emergency
- may not carry on person:
  - more than 113 grams of unprocessed cannabis
  - cannabis product that contains more than 20 grams of total composite THC

\*QMP's recommendation for a minor must be approved by the Compassionate Use Board