



WA Medical Marijuana Program

Symposium on Marijuana in Washington – 5/20/16

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Senate Bill 5052 Tasks for DOH

- Department of Health tasks:
 - Standard authorization form
 - 30+ reporting mechanism
 - Reports: specialty clinics, cost of database, and scheduling options
 - Continuing education for authorizing professions
 - Product rules
 - Database rules
 - Medical marijuana consultant rules

Authorization Form

- Posted to our website in late June 2015.
- Must be used for all new authorizations or renewals beginning July 24, 2015.
- Must be used for all authorizations beginning July 1, 2016.
- Authorizations on any other form are invalid beginning July 1, 2016.

Legislative Reports

- Recommendations on specialty clinics was completed in December 2015
- Scheduling of Marijuana was completed January 2016.
- Report on the cost of implementing the database is due November 2016.

Practitioner Continuing Education

- In January 2016 a workgroup was formed involving the 2 boards and 2 commissions who license authorizers to work collaboratively
- The goal is to provide continuing education based on the authorization practice guidelines already created by the 2 boards and 2 commissions
- This work is still underway

Product Compliance Rules

- Filed emergency rules for on 10/5/15:
 - Producers, processors and labs needed time to prepare before July 1, 2016.
 - New retailers and existing retailers seeking a medical endorsement needed to know what the requirements will be.
- Filed documents for permanent rulemaking on 10/5.
- Emergency rules re-filed in early February with minor changes.
- Working to finalize our rule making now.

Product Compliance Rules

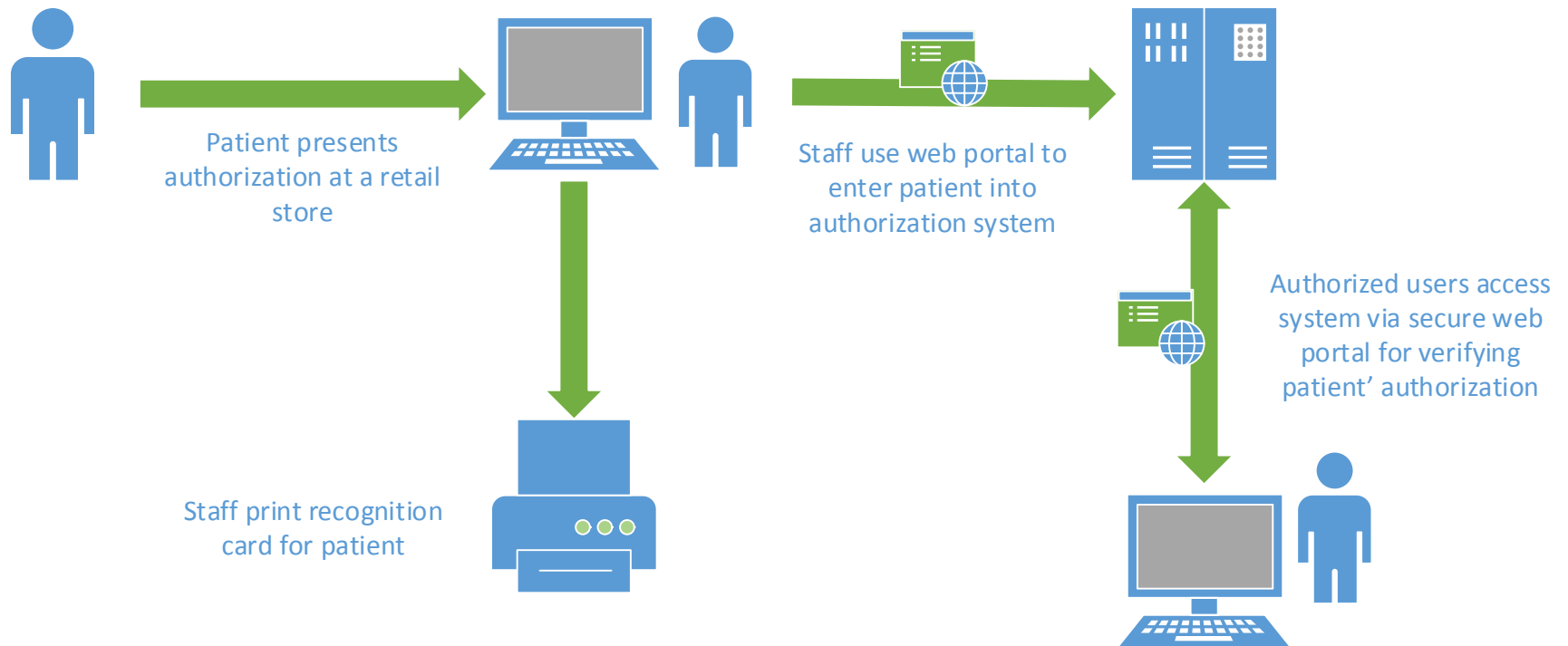
- Enhanced standards for:
 - Additional quality assurance testing
 - Pesticide screening
 - Heavy metal screening
 - Mycotoxins
 - Labeling
 - Safe handling
 - Employee training
- Compliant products use a logo designed by the department.



Authorization Database Parameters

- A retailer with a medical endorsement may add qualifying patients who volunteer to participate, to the database.
- Authorized healthcare practitioners may access patient healthcare information from the database.
- Approved persons may confirm recognition card validity (Law Enforcement, DOR, DOH).
- Qualifying patients may learn who has accessed their healthcare information.

MMJAS Diagram



Recognition Card

WASHINGTON STATE MEDICAL MARIJUANA RECOGNITION CARD

PATIENT

08-08-2017

0237 8560 2947 8156


CHRISTOPHER J.
BAUMGARTNER SUFFIX

EFFECTIVE DATE: 08-08-2016
EXPIRATION DATE: 08-08-2017

PLANT LIMIT: 6

Authorizing Healthcare Practitioner:
JOHN J. DOE

MINOR UNDER 18 Must be accompanied by designated provider




CARD# 0237 8560 2947 8156



NOT FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES

WARNING: IT IS ILLEGAL TO DUPLICATE THIS CARD EXCEPT WHEN ALLOWED BY LAW



TRANSACTION AMOUNTS:

- Usable Marijuana (3 ounces maximum)
- Solid Infusion (48 ounces maximum)
- Liquid Infusion (216 ounces maximum)
- Concentrates (21 grams maximum)

For questions, contact the:
Washington State Department of Health
Medical Marijuana Program
(360) 236-4819

Cardholder vs. Non-Cardholder

Cardholder

- May purchase 3 times the recreational limits
- May possess 6 plants and up to 15 if authorized
- Purchases at endorsed retail stores are not subject to sales tax
- Arrest protection
- May participate in a cooperative

Non Cardholder

- Restricted to purchasing the recreational limits
- May only possess 4 plants
- Purchases at retail stores are subject to sales tax
- Affirmative defense only
- May not participate in a cooperative

Amounts of Marijuana

Recreational Limits

- Usable Marijuana (1 oz maximum)
- Solid Infusion (16 oz maximum)
- Liquid Infusion (72 oz maximum)
- Concentrates (7 g maximum)

Medical Cardholder Limits

- Usable Marijuana (3 oz maximum)
- Solid Infusion (48 oz maximum)
- Liquid Infusion (216 oz maximum)
- Concentrates (21 g maximum)

Consultant Certification Training

- Training programs must include a minimum of 20 total instruction hours in the following subjects:
 - 5 hours about Washington state laws and rules relating to marijuana
 - 2 hours about qualifying conditions and the common symptoms of each
 - 2 hours about the short- and long-term positive and negative effects of cannabinoids
 - 5 hours about products that may benefit qualifying patients based on the patient's condition, any potential contraindications and the risks and benefits of various routes of administration
 - 2 hours about safe handling of marijuana products, including strategies to reduce access by minors
 - 2 hours about ethics and customer privacy and rights, and
 - 2 hours about the risks and warning signs of overuse, abuse and addiction

Certified Medical Marijuana Consultant

- Consultant Services

The certified consultant is not a medical provider, and can only do the following:

- Enter the patient and designated providers information from the authorization form into the database
- Assist with product selection
- Describe risks and benefits of administration methods
- Advise on safe handling and storage of products
- Provide instruction on proper use

- Services NOT Allowed

- Diagnose any conditions
- Recommend modification or elimination of any treatment not involving medical use of marijuana

Marijuana Product Purchases

	High THC Compliant	High CBD Compliant	General Use Compliant	Any Product Available for Sale in a Retail Store with a Medical Endorsement
Patients and Designated Providers with Recognition Card*	✓	✓	✓	✓
Any Adult Consumer		+ ✓	✓	✓

*All purchases made by a card holder are sales tax free at 3 times the recreational limits.
+ High CBD compliant products are sales tax free to any adult consumer.

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