

Florida

Legal; Current Law

Florida currently has no medical cannabis laws. For more on the current Laws governing cannabis in Florida visit -

http://www.norml.org/index.cfm?wtm_view=&Group_ID=45
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Orgz and other Action Resources

The Marijuana Situation in Florida * Florida Cannabis Action Network is an nonprofit organization devoted to the reform of all laws associated with marijuana. They provide legal referral, public education, activist training, first amendment support, press contacts, expert speakers, and motivation to the movement to change Florida and the Nation's marijuana laws. Currently they are helping Floridians for Medical Rights (<http://www.medicalrights.org/>) in its quest to place an initiative on the Florida State Ballot to amend the Florida State Constitution to allow those with serious illnesses to use cannabis as medicine when directed by their doctor. Despite the initial groundswell of media support and a resolution by the Florida Medical Association in 1997 supporting research ... see more at: <http://jug-or-not.com/can/florida.htm>

Florida Cannabis Action Network * **The mission** of the Florida Cannabis Action Network is to aid in reducing the harm associated with cannabis consumption and to educate the voting population regarding the need to reform cannabis laws. The Florida Cannabis Action Network is the leading cannabis law reform group in Florida. ...

Medical Marijuana Case. Read the decision in Gonzales V Raich, ... and more. Visit: <http://www.flcan.org/>

Local Contacts and Organizations

[Drug Policy Forum Florida](#)

DPF Florida members believe that drug related problems threaten our children's future and weaken our entire nation. We promote scientific and truthful evaluation of current and proposed policies aimed at controlling traffic in all types of drugs.

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Florida American for Safe Access

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Melbourne, FL 32935
<http://www.jug-or-not.com/can/>
<http://www.flcan.org>

American Alliance For Medical Cannabis, Florida Chapter

[OnlinePot The complete guide to Medical Marijuana](#)

Contact: Chris K. (AKA Doctor D.)
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www.onlinepot.org

These and more at ASA : **FLORIDA** web-ring links
page:

<http://www.safeaccessnow.org/article.php?id=284>

Progress Toward Reform | Patients Out of Time | media
coverage * **the Florida Medical Association speak up on**
medical cannabis and more at:
<http://www.medicalcannabis.com/press.htm>

ASA: USA: Map of Medical Marijuana Resources *
<http://www.safeaccessnow.org/article.php?list=type&type=50>

Legislative News and Info

Jodi James for House District 31 * **A New Voice, A Clear Choice.** See her Proposal to The Office of Drug Control / Department of Health and Human Services / Florida Office of the Attorney General - **Background** - Florida case law has repeatedly upheld the right of persons who meet the criteria in Jenks vs. State of Florida (1st DCA 1991) to present medical necessity as a defense for the possession, consumption and cultivation of the herb known as cannabis. Although medical cannabis use is widely accepted in certain sciences, public opinion about its potential for harm varies greatly. While some still hold to the theory that marijuana use is a “gateway” drug, the 1999 Institute of Medicine report, “Marijuana and Medicine: Assessing the Science Base” concluded that assumption to be false. As presented at The First National Clinical Conference on Cannabis Therapeutics, held April 2000 at the University of Iowa, by Dr. Janet Joy the Study Director, the results of this 18 month long study which took testimony from over one hundred experts, was that Cannabis use did not lead to other drug use, that it was an extremely safe and effective medicine and that it was not addictive. Visit:
<http://home.cfl.rr.com/jjames3/drugcontrol.html>

Forums, Blogs and GuestBooks (Bulletin Boards)

www.myspace.com/FloridaMedicalMarijuana (Blog) *

MySpace Profile - **FLORIDA FOR MEDICAL MARIJUANA**, 23 years old, Male, SAINT PETERSBURG, Florida, US, **FLORIDA FOR MEDICAL MARIJUANA**. Visit:

<http://www.myspace.com/floridamedicalmarijuana>

Cannabis Freedom Activist Network * is part of the family of Freedom

Activist Networks. Freedom Activist Network was founded by Rich Birkett in 1992 originally as Freedom Network. Freedom Network began as a website (www.freedomnet.org) for freedom activists as a source of information about freedom and activism, and to help freedom activists network with other activists. Visit: <http://www.freedomactivist.net/cannabis.html>

News and Sources

MarijuanaNews.Com | Freedom has nothing to fear from the truth *

An Important Article on the **Florida Medical** Marijuana Petition and an ... They're combining efforts with a dozen **Florida** medical-marijuana groups to place a ... click [here](#), for more.

ALSO * Allow **Medical Cannabis** ... **Florida** Prohibitionist Propaganda Organization Opposes **Medical** Marijuana for Glaucoma. But Inspires No Faith In His Profession. UK Doctor Studies **Cannabis** ... visit: http://www.marijuananeews.com/marijuananeews/cowan/medical_cannabis.htm

and ... An Important Article on the **Florida Medical** Marijuana Petition and an Outrageous Trial ... Governor's Failure to Seek **Medical Cannabis** Evidence. and. **Florida** Group Organized to Campaign... visit:

http://www.marijuananeews.com/marijuananeews/cowan/florida_medical_marijuana_p_atien.htm

Cannabis News - marijuana, hemp, and cannabis news

* **Medical** Marijuana Defense Posted by on November 30, 2006 at 06:31:06 PT ... The state of **Florida** asked the justices to hear the case of a **Florida** man ... visit: <http://www.cannabisnews.com/>

ASA News: Group Pushes Medical Marijuana in Florida

* by Troy Kinsey, WCJB TV 20 News (October 18th, 2005) “The head of the national group advocating state regulation of marijuana use for medical reasons visited Gainesville on Tuesday as part of a college tour central to the group's strategy. Marijuana Policy Project Executive Director Rob Kampia spoke to a gathering of University of Florida students, making special note of the Supreme Court's recent ruling upholding the right of federal authorities to arrest users of medicinal marijuana in the ten states that allow it.” Visit: <http://www.safeaccessnow.org/article.php?id=2766>

Jaxfest: hunted in Florida (Article) by Christopher Largen (05 Jan, 2004) * Pepper spray and police harassment at Florida's hemp-friendly Jaxfest. “I sit on a beachside bench next to my friend George McMahon, one of five US citizens granted the right to smoke federal marijuana. He uses it to provide relief from pain, spasms, and nausea. McMahon and I have just driven from Texas to Jacksonville, Florida. We've passed through plains and swamps, but we haven't left Bush country.” Visit: <http://www.cannabisculture.com/articles/3076.html>

cannabisnews.com: Florida MMJ Smoker Seeks To Influence Court

* November 29, 2004 - By Sean Salai, Boca Raton News. “A sickly South Florida man who has smoked over 3,000 ounces of marijuana on the federal payroll for 22 years said Monday he hoped his experiences with the drug would influence the U.S. Supreme Court to legalize it. Irvin Rosenfeld, a Fort Lauderdale stockbroker with accounts in Boca Raton and a rare bone disorder, said he hoped his amicus brief in Ashcroft v. Raich would influence the Supreme Court to legalize cannabis for medical purposes. ‘Eighty percent of the American people favor medical cannabis,’ Rosenfeld told the Boca Raton News. ‘It is time the politicians realized this is a medical issue, not a legal issue. Stop fighting the war on drugs against sick people. It’s that simple.’ ” Visit: <http://cannabisnews.com/news/19/thread19911.shtml>

“Florida's Journey for Justice” (Article) * by Pete Brady (19 Jun, 2000) Med-pot patients march on prisons to protest pot oppression. “Across Florida the medical marijuana patients marched: past swamps, rusting railroad tracks, shotgun shacks and hog farms, dodging dogs in small towns booming with income from new prisons.

In wheelchairs, cars, recreational vehicles, even a scale model jail cell towed on a donated trailer, the Journey for Justice med-pot caravan sojourned two hundred miles in seven days of northern Florida springtime.

Thousands of bemused but friendly Floridians, in rural towns, or driving by on two lane roads, saw activist Kay Lee, wearing a striped prisoner's uniform, walking miles for justice. They saw Eddie Smith, a cancer and AIDS survivor, wheeling down the grassy roadside in sheets of blinding rain." Visit: <http://www.cannabisculture.com/articles/1592.html>

Medical Cannabis in general

MedicalMJ.org (Org, NewsFeed) Medical Marijuana News and Facts * Get the facts about **medical cannabis** from Drug War Facts. ... of American Scientists; **Florida Medical Association**; and the National Academy of Sciences. Visit: www.medicalmj.org/

Medical Marijuana Pro/Con * **Pros & cons on medical marijuana.** Science, risks, policies, & laws. Should marijuana be a medical option? This site presents in a simple, nonpartisan pro-con format, responses to the core question "Should marijuana be a medical option?" We have divided questions about the topic into the issues and sub-issues listed below. All individuals and organizations quoted on our site are ranked based upon our unique credibility scale. [Note: Although physicians and attorneys are listed on this site, we do not recommend or refer either.] visit: <http://www.medicalmarijuanaProCon.org/>

Medical Use - NORML * Delaware District of Columbia FEDERAL Florida Georgia Guam Hawaii Idaho Illinois Indiana ... Feds Can Arrest State-Recognized **Medical Cannabis** Patients. Read the latest information ... visit: www.norml.org/index.cfm?Group_ID=3376

Marijuana Rx: The Patient's Fight for Medicinal Pot (Book) by Robert Randall & Alice O'Leary * This is a story of government betrayal -- a betrayal that continues today. But it is also a story of human courage and perseverance. Please take the time to read this book. After all, none of us are immune from the illnesses that marijuana can treat -- glaucoma, cancer, multiple sclerosis and more. Some day you might need medical access to marijuana. We pray that it will be as simple as a doctor's prescription. Full text articles, news summaries, supporting organizations and states, additional resources, and information on **medical marijuana**. Visit: <http://marijuana-as-medicine.org/>

Medical 101 (Links, "Web-Ring") * A starting point for medical info. Free Medical Cannabis info. Find what you're looking for! Visit: <http://www.medical-101.com/>

OnlinePot.org - The Humongous Medical Marijuana & Cannabis Resource, Updated Daily * Welcome & Surf On Into OnlinePot.Org, The Biggest & One Of The Most Comprehensive Resources On Medical Marijuana & Cannabis On The Web. Medical Marijuana Is No Longer Just a California Medical Marijuana Issue, Or a National USA Issue Anymore. It Has Now Become A World Wide Global Medical Crisis. Visit: <http://www.onlinepot.org/>

Factbook: Medical Marijuana * Since 1996, eleven states have legalized medical marijuana use: AK, AZ, CA, CO, ... Medical Association; Federation of American Scientists; Florida Medical ... The Institute of Medicine's 1999 report on medical marijuana examined the question whether the medical use of marijuana would lead to an increase of marijuana use in the general population and concluded that, "At this point there are no convincing data to support this concern." And more at: <http://www.drugwarfacts.org/medicalm.htm>

History of marijuana as medicine - Medical Marijuana ProCon.org * History of medical marijuana - 2737 B.C. to Present - featuring hundreds of credible pros and cons including scientific marijuana research and expert opinions on medical cannabis. Over 4,700 years of the History of Cannabis (Marijuana) as Medicine is presented. Each event is classified as Pro, Neutral or Con events for medical marijuana. Neutral items include those events offered as General Reference (*not clearly pro or con*). Visit: <http://www.medicalmarijuanaprocon.org/pop/history.htm>

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