Massachusetts

Status of Medical Marijuana (Cannabis) in Massachusetts.

Massachusetts does NOT have a MEDICAL MARIJUANA (cannabis) LAW

Stay tuned for information on how to change the law.

The Law, LEGAL Resources

Locals? Will be listed here. As we get the info. Know about one yourself? Post it on the Bulletin Board, below.

In the meantime, here are some national / international Resources -

- The Laws concerning marijuana in Massachusetts. By NORML, the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws. Visit: norml.org/index.cfm?wtm_view=&Group_ID=4543 for more.
- LegalJoint: Massachusetts Marijuana Law. A general overview of marijuana law in the state of Massachusetts including legal implications for anyone cultivating, using, selling or in possession of marijuana or paraphernalia. ... New! Medical Marijuana Brief Bank ... Visit: http://www.legaljoint.net/state_info/US_content.asp
- Medicinal Marijuana State-by-State American Laws | U.S. State Laws on Medical Marijuana Source: CNN Interactive Highlights: A licensed pharmacist may dispense cannabis type drugs to a person receiving ... click > here < for more.
- U.S. Marijuana Laws, Medical Marijuana Facts, Cannabis, Hemp | Provides U.S. Marijuana Laws, Facts About Marijuana, Marijuana Drug Testing, Drug Detection Times, Medical Marijuana, and Information About Your Rights ... North Dakota Ohio Oklahoma Oregon... visit www.usmarijuanalaws.com

- Erowid Cannabis Vault: Legal Status, U.S. LAW | Both Cannabis and Tetrahydrocannabinols, the active chemicals contained in Cannabis plants, are Schedule I in the United States. This means they are federally illegal to cultivate, buy, possess, or distribute (sell, trade or give) in all forms (cannabis plants, extracts, hash, hash oil, the, etc) except synthetic THC (Marinol) which is Schedule III. The federal scheduling of Cannabis was disputed in 1988 by Judge Francis Young, an administrative law judge for the DEA, who recommended that marijuana be reclassified as schedule II on the grounds that if a respectable minority of doctors endorse it, then it has a "currently accepted medical use". Visit: http://www.erowid.org/plants/cannabis/cannabis law.shtml
- Legal and medical status of cannabis Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia | Cannabis is in Schedule IV of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, making it subject to special restrictions. Article 2 provides for the following, in reference to Schedule IV drugs:

A Party shall, if in its opinion the prevailing conditions in its country render it the most appropriate means of protecting the public health and welfare, prohibit the production, manufacture, export and import of, trade in, possession or use of any such drug except for amounts which may be necessary for medical and scientific research only, including clinical trials therewith to be conducted under or subject to the direct supervision and control of the Party.

This provision, while apparently providing for the limitation of cannabis to research purposes only, also seems to allow some latitude for nations to make their own judgments. The official Commentary on the Single Convention indicates that Parties are expected to make that judgment in good faith. Click > here < for more.

LEGISLATION, Action Items and related Resources

- Drug Policy Alliance: Reform in Massachusetts | While West coast states have been quick to implement drug reform legislation, the East coast states have not only been slow to implement changes, but in some cases they have gone backwards. In 2000, Massachusetts voters took away the rights of felons to vote. This heavily affects the minority vote as the Massachusetts prison population is fifty percent minority. Massachusetts was one of three states that let convicted felons act as the citizens that they are and vote. The same year, a voter initiative that would have created an innovative treatment over incarceration program was narrowly defeated by a margin of 53 percent to 47 percent. ... visit: http://www.drugpolicy.org/statebystate/massachusett/
- NORML / A Page Just For You / Medical Marijuana Patients | This section is to help you locate the information you need to become fully informed regarding medical marijuana -- as well as play an important role in changing America's misguided marijuana laws. Select One, All States and Canada, Mexico, Europe, Other ... visit: http://www.norml.org/index.cfm?Group_ID=4482

- DrugInfo Medical Cannabis: USA > In Search of a Viable Distribution System for Oklahoma's Medical Marijuana Program ... Medicinal Cannabis: USA Federal: Legislation, Court Decisions and Commentaries States: Legislation and Programs. Click here for more.
- Others? Will be listed here. As we get the info. You can also check the <u>Events</u> and <u>News</u> sections to see if there are any Items posted there. **Know about one yourself?** Post it on the <u>Bulletin Board</u>, below.

local Organizations, CONTACTs and other Resources

- Law Enforcement Against Prohibition (LEAP) | To educate the public, the media, and policy makers, to the failure of current drug policy by presenting a true picture of the history, causes and effects of drug abuse and drug related crime. To reduce the multitude of harms resulting from fighting the war on drugs by ultimately ending drug prohibition. Contact: 27 Austin Road, Medford, MA 02155 * visit: http://www.leap.cc
- Massachusetts Cannabis Reform Coalition | The Massachusetts Cannabis Reform Coalition (MASS CANN), the state affiliate of the National Organization for the Reform of the Marijuana Laws (NORML), is working to build a consensus for a more moral and rational public policy regarding all uses of the cannabis plant. Contact: by phone (781) 944-2266, or visit: http://www.masscann.org
- The Voluntary Committee of Lawyers | The VCL is an association of lawyers and judges whose members share strong misgivings about the wisdom and consequences of America's perpetual drug war. While favoring no specific drug control policies, the VCL seeks to promote, within the legal profession and beyond it, informed and honest discussion about the objectives of the drug war and its costs to our cherished institutions of liberty and justice. visit: http://www.vcl.org

Also, here are some national / international Resources -

National and International ORGz Section

- ASA: Massachusetts | Medical cannabis (medical marijuana) resources in Massachusetts ... Find info here on the therapeutic uses of and research on medical cannabis. ... visit http://www.safeaccessnow.org/article.php?id=277
- American Medical Marijuana Association ... Medical Marijuana Farmacy | Massachusetts. State registration program, Dept of Health and Social Services 907-465-5423. Colorado. State registration program (303) 692-2184 medical.marijuana ... visit: http://americanmarijuana.org/

- LegalJoint: Medical and Other Marijuana Links. A selection links to HIGH quality canabis web sites, related to medical or recreational mmj use. of Columbia FEDERAL Florida Massachusetts Guam Massachusetts Massachusetts Illinois Indiana Massachusetts Massachusetts Kentucky Massachusetts ... Willie Wortel Workshop. Massachusetts Medical Marijuana Institute and Cannabis Club ... visit: http://www.legaljoint.net/bust.asp
- NORML Home / Medical Use by State. All States and Canada Mexico Europe Other ... See Map: www.norml.org/index.cfm?Group ID=3376 for more.
- Patients Out of Time is a patient advocacy organization with a universal constituency. They support the rights of patients to have a legal and safe access to the therapeutic use of cannabis. The mission of their organization, a 501 (c) 3 non-profit, is the education of health care professionals and the public about the therapeutic use of cannabis. Their leadership is composed of medical and nursing professionals with expertise in the clinical applications of cannabis and five of the seven patients (two wish to remain anonymous) who receive their medical cannabis from the US government. Patients Out of Time is the only national non-profit in the United States that focuses only on therapeutic cannabis issues. Visit www.medicalcannabis.com
- Marijuana Policy Project (MPP). Join the Marijuana Policy Project! State officials confirm Supreme Court decision does not impact state medical marijuana laws. Medical Marijuana Briefing Paper 2005. Until 1937, marijuana (Cannabis sativa L.) was legal in the United States ... Hawaii enacted a medical marijuana law via its state legislature in 2000 and ... Visit: www.mpp.org/medicine.html
- **DrugSense: Drug Law Reform** ... of Justice Statistics, State Court Organization, 1998 (Washington, DC ... Cannabis in Medical Practice: A Legal, Historical and Pharmacological... Visit: www.drugsense.org
- OCBC's Links Page. Organizations Supporting Medical-cannabis Reform. Americans for Safe Access(ASA) coordinates "...a nation-wide day of action to push back DEA attempts to re-criminalize medical cannabis! ... Washington Citizens for Medical Rights, sponsored a successful medical cannabis ballot measure in November 1998. "As a result, this Initiative is now State ... Visit: www.rxcbc.org/links.html
- Excellent medical info on cannabis, Washington State's I-692 Medical Marijuana Law ... Greencross. Washington State based buyer's cooperative based in Seattle. Trailblazer in state ... Visit: www.seattlehempfest.com/links.php for more.
- Marijuana links. Popular Searches: Medical Marijuana Links. Marijuana Research Links. ... about marijuana, The Washington State Medical Marijuana Act CHAPTER 69.51A RCW This is ... an activist for medical marijuana. Chronic Cannabis Use A report on ... Click > here < for more.

- Open Directory Society: Issues: Health: Drugs: Illegal: Pro-Legalization: Marijuana: Medical Purposes ... to providing medical cannabis to those in need. Initiative 692 Medical Marijuana WCMR of Washington State ... use of medical cannabis in the state of Colorado. Medical Marijuana ... click > here < for more.
- Others? Will be listed here. As we get the info. Know about one yourself? Post it on the Bulletin Board, below.
- Cannabis Freedom Activist Network | Cannabis Freedom Activist Network's Guide To Cannabis Research is a service of Freedom Activist Network. Browse http://FreedomActivist.Net/index.html to view the complete guide to Freedom Activist Network.

FORUMs Section

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In the meantime, here are some national / international Forums -

- Ganja Grocer | We are your Medical Marijuana Resource Center. Learn How to Become a Legal Medical Marijuana Patient. If you live in a state with Medical Marijuana Laws, Come visit our forums today! Visit www.ganjagrocer.com for more.
- CANNABIS.COM is based in california and focused on providing the best possible resources for future and current medical marijuana patients, activists, and supporters. MessageBoard Forum. Cannabis FAQs. Image & Picture Gallery. Medical Marijuana. Vaporizer FAQ. Advertising Information ... Visit: www.cannabis.com
- Cannabis Community Coalition. Forum for Medical Marijuana & Medicinal Cannabis Patients. ... visit: <u>cannabiscom.blogspot.com</u> < for more.
- The Compassionate Coalition's mission: To defend the rights of medical marijuana patients and care providers through education and community participation. A nonprofit grassroots organization that helps build and support local chapters nationwide, linking them with other medical marijuana reform organizations and resources. Contact Information Mailing Address: The Compassionate Coalition * 1500 Oliver Road, Ste-K * P.M.B. #248 * Fairfield, CA 94533-3473 * (NOTE: When sending mail to this address, please be sure to write "The Compassionate Coalition" in the address line. Thanks!) * Fax: (916)266-7455 * or Visit: www.compassionatecoalition.org/forum
- The Amsterdam THC Ministry, First Universal Church of Kantheism, is based on ancient wisdom, modern science and the enlightening and healing properties of the cannabis sacrament. Their mission includes liberating the sacred cannabis hemp plant and the minds and spirits of those who do and of those who do not revere it. May we all enjoy

the rich, abundant, joyful and awakened life that is part of our natural inheritance. Visit: www.thc-ministry.net/forum

- Ya-Hooka; Health_and_Medicinal/Buyers_Clubs Organizations and Compassion Clubs providing access to medical marijuana ... Co-op ~ The Alternative Relief Co-op is a patient-oriented medical cannabis dispensary located in San Francisco ... It Report Broken Link. Arizona Medical Marijuana Co-Op ~ Click here for more.
- Welcome to the Cannabis Classifieds Want Ads. To buy cannabis for medical purposes is legal in some areas. Here you will find hundreds of medical doctors, professional growers, and prescription patients in need who want to buy cannabis legally but can't find each other. Visit: www.cannabisclassifieds.com/cannabiswant.html

EVENTs, Calendars and related Resources

- ASA: Events | 3rd Annual Candlelight Vigil for Medical Cannabis Patients Saturday, April 22nd 2006 8 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania PhillyNORML will host it's 3rd annual ... visit www.safeaccessnow.org/calendar.php?calid=315
- Others? Will be listed here. As we get the info. Know about one yourself? Post it on the <u>Bulletin Board</u>, below.

BIZ, and related Commercial Resources

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NEWs and related Resources

- Victory: Massachusetts stops threatening marijuana users with jail! Last update: November 4, 2008 | November 4 was a historic day in more ways than one! On Election Day, Massachusetts became the first state to remove the possibility of jail for simple marijuana possession by voter initiative. 65 percent of Massachusetts voters (with 92% reporting) approved Question 2, sponsored by the Committee for Sensible Marijuana Policy (CSMP), which makes possession of up to an ounce of marijuana a civil citation punishable by a \$100 fine. The initiative, which goes into effect on December 4, reduces the maximum penalty from six months in jail, a \$500 fine, and a damaging criminal record. Visit http://www.mpp.org/states/massachusetts/
- NORML News Feed. Visit http://norml.org/index.cfm?Group_ID=5858

- MarijuanaNews.Com, Freedom has nothing to fear from the truth ... Medical Marijuana Co-operative Writes About Value Of Cannabis For MS Patients. Photo-ID Cards For Washington State Medical ... Visit: www.marijuananews.com/medical cannabis.htm
- (Medical) Marijuana Info Information. Candidates running for the House of Representatives to the question: "Should smoked marijuana be a medical option now?" ... 10/28/02. Oklahoma House Race District 1 ... Visit: www.marijuanainfo.net/house3.htm
- The American Alliance For Medical Cannabis (AAMC) | Dedicated to bringing patients, caregivers and volunteers the facts they need to make informed decisions about whether Cannabis is the right medicine for them, the laws surrounding Medicinal Marijuana in your area, political activism and even handy recipes and guides to growing your own nontoxic medicine. visit: http://www.letfreedomgrow.com/news-t21.htm
- Cannabis Times. Alternative News Service for Cannabis and Hemp ... Montana Woman on Hunger Strike for Medical Cannabis. Visit Robin's Site * E-Mail the ... The science of medical cannabis continued its climb in estimation of medical professionals and ... visit: www.cannabistimes.com
- Common Sense for Drug Policy: Medical Marijuana Facts & News. Tuesday, July 12, 2005. Search using CSDP's own search tool or use. WWW Common Sense. More CSDP News Pages ... card program for medical marijuana patients. The suspension has ... consequences of issuing medical marijuana ID cards that could affect medical marijuana users, their families ... www.csdp.org/news/news/medmar.htm
- cannabisnews.com, by DrugSense | a News feed page. Visit: cannabisnews.com
- Stop the Drug War (DRCNet) is an international organization working for an end to drug prohibition worldwide and for interim policy reform in US drug laws and criminal justice system. visit stopthedrugwar.org/news

some HISTORY

- NORML News Archive. Visit http://norml.org/index.cfm?Group_ID=3442
- Dr Tod | California doctor braves political pressure to prescribe marijuana for those in need. ... German mother in a small Pennsylvania town during the Depression and ... California Cannabis Resear... Click > here < for more.
- Pharmacutical Museum Cannabis medical manufacturer | [Made post-1937 medical Cannabis products]. Burrough Brothers Mfg Co. 123 Market Place, Baltimore,

- ... Korn Pop Remedy Co. in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. ... visit www.conquestdesign.com/uncler/MfgIndex.htm
- Cannabis Quack Medicines | ... contained it as an ingredient, Medical Cannabis was as common as aspirin is ... the Hazeltine Corp., of Warren Pennsylvania, was founded in 1869, and soon ... visit antiquecannabisbook.com/chap15/Quack.htm
- Medical Cannabis and Industrial Hemp Re-legalization |... Youth," was, in fact, Cannabis Hemp, the most traded commodity in the world ... visit www.afgen.com/hemp2.html

Cannabis as Medicine

- Chris Conrad, Author / Activist | Consults with government agencies and physicians including some of the world's foremost authorities on cannabis and patients as to their knowledge and experiences regarding cannabis. Court-qualified expert witness in cannabis cultivation, sex, genetics, cloning, crop yields, preparation, smell, medical use, personal use, dosage, consumption, sales, and commercial intent. Visit: http://www.chrisconrad.com/expert.witness/cv.html
- LESSON PLAN:MEDICAL MARIJUANA LEGITIMATE USE OR LEGALIZED ABUSE? By Lisa Prososki, a former middle school and high school social studies, English, reading and technology teacher. Estimated Time: Approximately 45 minutes/1 class period Lesson Objectives: (1) Students will use cooperative learning activities to discuss opinions about medical marijuana use and see both sides of the issue, (2) Students will use decision making skills and strategies to render their own decision about the U.S. Supreme Court case related to medical marijuana use. Click > here < for more.
- 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?" 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, they do not recommend or refer either.] visit: www.medicalmarijuanaProCon.org
- Medical Cannabis (marijuana) News, Information, Organizations, Links. Resources and more. visit http://www.medicalmj.org/
- Factbook: Medical Marijuana
- 1. Since 1996, twelve states have legalized medical marijuana use: AK, CA, CO, HI, ME, MT, NV, NM, OR, RI, VT, and WA. Eight of the twelve did so through the

- initiative process. Hawaii's law was enacted by the legislature and signed by the governor in 2000, Vermont's was enacted by the legislature and passed into law without the governor's signature in May 2004, Rhode Island's was passed into law over the governor's veto in January 2006, and New Mexico's legislation was signed into law by Governor Bill Richardson on April 2, 2007.
- 2. The Institute of Medicine's 1999 report on medical marijuana stated, "The accumulated data indicate a potential therapeutic value for cannabinoid drugs, particularly for symptoms such as pain relief, control of nausea and vomiting, and appetite stimulation." And more. Visit www.drugwarfacts.org/medicalm.htm
- NORML / Medical Use / Introduction | Introduction. Select One Send All States Canada Mexico Europe Other Alabama Alaska Am. ... District of Columbia FEDERAL Florida Georgia Guam Oklahoma Idaho Illinois Indiana Iowa Kansas Kentucky Louisiana of individual patients to use medical cannabis under state law, or the ... visit: http://www.norml.org/index.cfm?Group_ID=5441
- Medical Marijuana Handbook | This a draft by Todd. H. Mikuriya MD, a long-time advocate of medical cannabis, respected author and one of the medical staff at the San Francisco Buyers Club. Its patchy, and uncomplete, and acts only as a framework for Dr Todd to store snippets of info on various aspects of medical cannabis. Marijuana as Medicine A Plea for Reconsideration, is a commentary article written by Lester Grinspoon and James Bakalar, which appeared in the June 21st 1995 edition of the Journal of the American Medical Association. Medical cannabis web resources. Medical Marijuana Handbook This a draft by Todd. H. Mikuriya MD, a long-time advocate of medical cannabis, respected author and one of the medical staff at ... visit: http://www.ukcia.org/medical/webresources.html
- Medical Marijuana Info Online Resource for Medical Marijuana Information. Partners. Events. Legalization. Doctors. Federal Law(s) Lawyers. Medical/Medicinal. AIDS/HIV. History. Magazines ... Ohio Marijuana Party. Montana. Montana NORML ... Visit: www.medicalmarijuanainfo.com
- Medical Marijuana Master Reference | Note: This page was prepared for the November, 1996 election. Some of the external links may be out of date. ... Cannabis Research Library A collection ... visit www.druglibrary.org/schaffer/medical mj.htm
- Cannabis Yields and Dosage | the authoritative study of the science and legalities of calculating medical marijuana. The booklet is available as a PDF by ... visit www.safeaccessnow.net/vieldsdosage.htm
- Medical Marijuana ... to Washington's New Medical Marijuana Law" was adopted to ... The Washington State Medical Marijuana Act CHAPTER 69.51A ... list of professional medical associations. Marijuana as medicine ... Visit: http://www.hartbrothers.com/medimari.html

- MarijuanaNews.Com, Freedom has nothing to fear from the truth ... Court Decision On Medical Cannabis Expected This Week ... Medical Marijuana Cooperative Writes About Value Of Cannabis For MS Patients. Photo-ID Cards For Washington State Medical ... Visit: www.marijuananews.com/medical cannabis.htm
- CCRMG California Cannabis Research Medical Group WWW.CCRMG.ORG | Autumn 2004. O'Shaughnessy's. Journal of the California Cannabis Research Medical Group ... medical effects of cannabis. It is unl... visit www.ccrmg.org/journal/04aut/mikuriya.html
- Medical cannabis Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia. A catalog page offering Cannabis sativa extract. Medical cannabis refers to the use of Cannabis as a physician recommended herbal th... visit: en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Medical_marijuana
- Accepted Medical Use of Cannabis: Medical Professionals by DrugScience.org. | Cannabis's accepted medical use in the United States is increasingly recognized by health care professionals and the medical community. visit: www.drugscience.org/amu/amu medprof.htm
- Proven: Cannabis is Safe Medicine by Ian Williams Goddard | In reaction to medical cannabis access referendums on the ballots in Arizona and California, former presidents Gerald Ford, Jimmy Carter, and George Bush signed a letter stating that they "categorically oppose" access to cannabis for its many proven therapeutic uses such as the prevention of blindness and epileptic seizures. Their chief concern was that legal medical access would send the message that cannabis is safe. The presidents can, however, lay their safety concerns to rest because the scientific literature overwhelmingly confirms that cannabis is both an effective and safe medicine. The Cannabis Safety Profile. The journal PHARMACOLOGICAL REVIEWS reports that decades of research prove that, "Compared with legal drugs...marijuana does not pose greater risks." Yet based upon mortality statistics, we can safely conclude that cannabis is one of the safest medical drugs known, for, while prescription drugs, defined as safe by the FDA, kill up to 27,000 and aspirin up to 1,000 Americans per year, cannabis kills 0 per year. Click here for more.
- Medicinal Cannabis Cannabis Facts, Cannabis Law, Hemp, Peyote Info, Salvia Divinorum Info ... therapeutic uses for medical cannabis has been entertained in ... 1990's, medical cannabis ballot initiatives have received a majority of votes in Arizona, Arizona, California, Colorado ... visit: http://www.cannabis-growing.com/medicinal-cannabis.htm.

BOOKs on Medical Cannabis (marijuana) and related

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books, journals, and articles that you can trust on medical marijuana. With Questia you can quickly research, cite, and quote with complete confidence. Save substantial time without sacrificing research quality. Research Medical Marijuana Find quality info at the world's online library. 435,000 books, articles. Search or read full text, highlight, cite and auto-create bibliographies and get a personal bookshelf. Click here for more.

- 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. Afterall, 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: marijuana-as-medicine.org
- Laboratory, grade A cannabis specially imported from America ... the California Cannabis Research Medical Group, Summer 2003 ... the California Cannabis Research Medical Group, Summer 2003 ... Visit: http://www.freedomactivist.net/cannabisresearch.html

misc Related LINKs, Web Rings, and such

- LegalJoint: Medical and Other Marijuana Links. A selection links to HIGH quality canabis web sites, related to medical or recreational mmj use. ... Visit: http://www.legaljoint.net/bust.asp
- Medical 101 (Links, "Web-Ring") * A potential starting point for Medical Cannabis info. Find what you're looking for! Visit: www.medical-101.com/
- Marijuana Drug Slang Dictionary | Drug Slang Dictionary Marijuana. Click here for more.
- Our Rights and Freedoms | The U.S. Constitution and it's Bill of Rights bestow our rights and freedoms as Americans. Court interpretations and decisions, like the Supreme Court's Miranda rights ruling define the sco... Click > here < for more.
- Marijuana Statistics | Marijuana Statistics by state. Visit here < for more.

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