

Summary by Condition by State

Medical Conditions Approved for Treatment with Marijuana

A table showing the major medical conditions approved for treatment by 20 states and the District of Columbia with medical marijuana as compared to Florida.

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Specific Diseases

	AK	AZ	CA	CO	CT	DE	DC	HI	IL	ME	MA	MI	MT	NV	NH	NJ	NM	OR	RI	VT	WA	FL
Cancer	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√ ⁴	√ ⁵	√	√	√	√ ⁵	√	√
Glaucoma	√	√	√	√	√		√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√ ⁴	√ ⁵	√	√	√		√ ⁵	√
AIDS or HIV	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√ ⁴	√ ⁵	√	√	√	√ ⁵	√	√
Crohn's disease		√	¹		√				√	√	√	√	√		√ ⁴	√ ⁶	√ ⁷				√ ⁵	√
Hepatitis C		√	¹			√ ²			√	√	√	√			√ ⁴		√ ⁵		√		√ ⁵	√
Multiple sclerosis			¹		√				√		√		√		√ ⁴	√	√			√ ⁵	√	√
ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease)		√	¹			√			√	√	√	√			√ ⁴	√	√ ⁷					√
PTSD			¹		√	√				√	³						√ ⁷	√				√

Debilitating medical conditions or symptoms produced by those conditions

	AK	AZ	CA	CO	CT	DE	DC	HI	IL	ME	MA	MI	MT	NV	NH	NJ	NM	OR	RI	VT	WA	FL
Cachexia, anorexia, or wasting syndrome	√	√	√	√	√	√		√	√	√	³	√	√	√	√ ⁴		√ ^{5,7}	√	√	√ ⁵	√ ⁵	
Severe or chronic pain	√	√	√	√		√ ⁵		√	⁹	√ ⁵	³	√	√ ⁵	√	√ ^{4,5}		√ ^{5,7}	√	√ ⁵	√ ⁵	√ ⁵	
Severe or chronic nausea	√	√	√	√		√ ⁵		√		√	³	√	√	√	√ ⁴		√ ^{5,7}	√	√	√ ⁵	√ ⁵	
Seizure disorders (e.g. epilepsy)	√	√	√	√	√	√		√		√	³	√	√	√	√ ⁴	√ ⁵	√	√	√	√ ⁵	√	√
Muscle spasticity disorders (e.g. multiple sclerosis)	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	³	√	√	√	√ ⁴	√ ⁵	√	√	√		√	√
Agitation of Alzheimer's disease		√	¹			√			√	√	³	√			√ ⁴			√ ⁷	√			
Allows addition of diseases or conditions by state health agency	√	√	¹	√	√ ⁸	√	√	√	√	√	³	√	¹⁰	√	√ ^{4,11}	√ ^{7,12}	√ ¹⁰	√	√		√ ¹³	
Other debilitating medical conditions			√ ¹								√ ³											√

Source: State-By-State Medical Marijuana Laws, 2013, issued by the Marijuana Policy Project, Table 3 and the Florida Legislative Office of Economic and Demographic Research.

- 1 In addition to the specific diseases and conditions listed, the law covers treatment of "any other illness for which marijuana provides relief."
- 2 The law does not actually cover Hepatitis C itself, but instead covers decompensated cirrhosis, a condition that occurs at the end stage of the disease.
- 3 Allows certification for other debilitating conditions "as determined in writing by a qualifying patient's physician."
- 4 Law requires providers to certify that the patient has both a qualifying disease and a qualifying symptom.
- 5 There are additional restrictions on this condition in this state, or the term used for the symptom or condition is more restrictive.
- 6 Allows medical marijuana to treat "inflammatory bowel disease, including Crohn's disease."
- 7 Condition added by state agency.
- 8 In addition, Connecticut's law also includes Parkinson's disease.
- 9 In addition, Illinois' law includes muscular dystrophy, severe fibromyalgia, spinal cord disease, Tarlov cysts, hydromyelia, syringomyelia, rheumatoid arthritis, fibrous dysplasia, spinal cord injury, traumatic brain injury and post-concussion syndrome, Arnold-Chiari malformation and syringomyelia, spinocerebellar ataxia, myoclonus dystonia, reflex sympathetic dystrophy, causalgia, complex regional pain syndromes type II, neurofibromatosis, chronic inflammatory demyelinating polyneuropathy, Sjögren's syndrome, lupus, interstitial cystitis, and myasthenia.
- 10 In addition to the specific diseases and conditions listed, the law covers certain patients admitted to hospice care.
- 11 The state health department may include a medical condition on a case-by-case basis if a provider certifies it is "severely debilitating or terminal."
- 12 In addition, the law explicitly covers patients with muscular dystrophy, or "intractable skeletal muscular spasticity," or "terminal illness, if the physician has determined a prognosis of less than 12 months of life."
- 13 In addition, a state agency added chronic renal failure/requiring hemodialysis as a qualifying condition.