



# SAN MATEO COUNTY HEALTH SYSTEM

## Medical Marijuana Identification Card Program

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<http://www.smhealth.org>

### INSTRUCTIONS - PATIENT

Please read before submitting an application

#### Who may apply?

Participation in the Medical Marijuana Identification Card (MMIC) Program is voluntary. The MMIC expires within one year. The renewal process is the same as the initial application process and it is your responsibility to apply for a renewal. When submitting an application, both the primary caregiver, if any, and the qualified patient must be present. If the patient is under the age of 18 years old, his/her parent must also be present.

You must apply in person with the following information at the Office of Vital Statistics located at 225-37<sup>th</sup> Avenue, San Mateo, CA 94403.

#### Patient Responsibilities

It is your responsibility to ensure you meet these criteria before continuing with the application process.

1. Provide a government-issued photo identification card (i.e. California driver's license or California issued Identification Card). If you are under the age of 18 and lack photographic identification, you may substitute a certified copy of your birth certificate in place of the photo identification.
2. Provide proof of San Mateo County residency with a current rent or mortgage receipt, recent utility bill or a Department of Motor Vehicle issued vehicle registration, listing your name and current physical address.
3. A copy of written documentation from your doctor recommending that the use of medical marijuana is appropriate for a serious medical condition. To meet this requirement, your doctor may use the *Written Documentation of Patient's Medical Records* form (DHS 9044). This form can be obtained from San Mateo County or California Department of Public Health website at: [www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/MMP](http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/MMP). Your physician will be contacted to confirm that the medical documentation submitted by you is a true and correct copy of your medical records in the physician's office. It is your responsibility to ensure that an Authorized Release of Medical Information is on file with your medical provider.
4. Be prepared to pay the \$98 fee required by the County of San Mateo's MMIC Program. If you are a Medi-Cal beneficiary, you and your primary caregiver are entitled a 50% reduction in fees making the fee required by the County of San Mateo's MMIC Program \$49. Cash or check required. Application fees are non-refundable.
5. You must submit a complete and accurate application. Any omitted information or inaccurate information is grounds for a denial and you may be restricted from applying for the following six months. Application fees are non-refundable.

## Medical Marijuana Program APPLICATION/RENEWAL (Please Print)

This application is for:

Patient Only (Applicant)

**SECTION 1 TO BE COMPLETED BY ALL APPLICANTS.**

Name (last, first, middle initial)

Mailing address (number, street)

Telephone number

(      )

City

State

ZIP code

County of residence

Additional contact information

Is applicant under 18 years of age?

Yes

No

If yes, complete Section 2 for the parent, legal guardian, or person with legal authority to make medical decisions for minor applicant, unless minor applicant is (*check one*):

Lawfully emancipated; *or*

Declares self-sufficient minor status or is a minor capable of medical consent

**SECTION 2 TO BE COMPLETED FOR MINOR APPLICANT IDENTIFIED IN SECTION 1.**

Parent/guardian/other name (last, first, middle initial)

Telephone number if different from above

(      )

Mailing address if different from above (number, street)

City

State

ZIP code

Relation to applicant (*check one*):

Parent with legal authority to make medical decisions

Legal Guardian

Other person or entity with legal authority to make medical decisions

**SECTION 3 TO BE COMPLETED IF THE APPLICANT IS UNABLE TO MAKE HIS/HER OWN MEDICAL DECISIONS.**

Does the applicant have the capacity to make medical decisions?

Yes

No

If "No," enter the name and address of person acting on the applicant's behalf:

Name (last, first, middle initial)

Telephone number

(      )

Mailing address (number, street)

City

State

ZIP code

Check one of the following to indicate the legal authority of the person (legal representative) signing this application on behalf of the applicant:

I am the conservator for the applicant and I have authority to make medical decisions.

I am an attorney-in-fact under a durable power of attorney for health care.

I am a surrogate decision maker authorized under an advanced healthcare directive.

I am authorized by statutory or decisional law to make medical decisions for the applicant, as follows:

Parent

Legal Guardian

Other (*please specify*): \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION 4 TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PRIMARY CAREGIVER REQUESTING AN IDENTIFICATION CARD.**

Name (last, first, middle initial)			Date of birth (if less than 18 years of age)
Mailing address (number, street)			Telephone number ( )
City	State	ZIP code	County of residence

Primary Caregiver Duties: *(Document how you consistently assume responsibility for the housing, health, or safety of the applicant.)*

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Check your designation as a primary caregiver from the following list:

- I am the parent of the applicant or the person entitled to make medical decisions on behalf of the applicant.
- I am the designated primary caregiver for only this applicant.
- I am the designated primary caregiver for another applicant (qualified patient) in this county.
- I am the designated primary caregiver for an applicant (qualified patient) in a different county.

County name: \_\_\_\_\_

Check one of the two following choices if your status as a primary caregiver is linked to a health related entity:

- I am the owner/operator of a clinic pursuant to Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 1200), Division 2 of the Health and Safety (H&S) Code.
- I am a clinic/facility/hospice or home health agency employee\* designated by the owner/operator to serve as a primary caregiver.

*Check all that apply:*

- This health care facility is licensed pursuant to Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 1250), Division 2 of the H&S Code.
- This residential care facility is licensed pursuant to Chapter 3.01 (commencing with Section 1568.01), Division 2 of the H&S Code.
- This residential care facility is licensed pursuant to Chapter 3.2 (commencing with Section 1569), Division 2 of the H&S Code.
- This hospice or home health agency is licensed pursuant to Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 1725), Division 2 of the H&S Code.

\* Health and Safety Code, Section 11362.7(d)(1), limits a maximum of three employees that may serve as primary caregivers. **Note:** Include a copy of this page for each caregiver.

**Primary Caregiver Declaration:** I understand and acknowledge my assigned duties as the designated primary caregiver for \_\_\_\_\_ . I understand that if the applicant's identification card expires, then my primary caregiver

Applicant's name

identification card shall also expire. I agree to return my primary caregiver identification card to this county health department or its designee if this applicant changes primary caregivers. I agree that if I am the owner or operator of a health care facility designated as the primary caregiver of this applicant, that I shall notify this county health department or its designee if a change of primary caregivers is made. I declare under penalty of perjury that the information I provided on this form is true and correct.

Printed name of primary caregiver

Signature of primary caregiver

Date

**SECTION 5****ALL APPLICANTS MUST IDENTIFY THEIR ATTENDING PHYSICIAN.**

Attending physician name			California medical license number	
Service mailing address (number, street)			Licensed by ( <i>check one</i> )	
City	State	ZIP code	<input type="checkbox"/> Medical Board of California <input type="checkbox"/> Osteopathic Medical Board of California	
Office telephone number (       )		Office fax number (       )		

**Notice Required by Civil Code, Section 1798.17**

The Civil Code, Section 1798.17, requires that this notice be provided when collecting personal or confidential information from individuals. Providing the individual information and identifying information requested on this form is mandatory. Failure to furnish this information to the administering agency, in order to process your application for a medical marijuana identification card, will result in denial of your application. The information collected will be verified for accuracy to determine eligibility for a medical marijuana identification card. Sections 11362.71 and 11362.715 of the Health and Safety Code authorize the collection and maintenance of the information.

The Compassionate Use Act of 1996 (Act) (Health & Safety Code, Section 11362.5) ensures that patients and their primary caregivers who possess or cultivate marijuana for the personal medical purposes of the patient upon the recommendation of a physician are not subject to California criminal prosecution or sanction. However, the Act does not protect marijuana plants from seizure nor individuals from federal prosecution under the federal Controlled Substances Act. The information that you provide in this application may be released as required by law, judicial order, or subpoena, and could be used in a federal criminal prosecution.

You have the right to access records containing your personal information which are maintained by the county health department, or the county's designee, and the California Department of Public Health.

**Responsibilities**

It is my responsibility:

- To notify, within seven days, the county health department or the county's designee of any changes in my attending physician or designated primary caregiver.
- To use my identification card only for the purposes intended by the law.
- To ensure that an authorized medical release of information is on file with my medical provider in order to complete my application.

**Declaration**

I have read the notice required by Civil Code, Section 1798.17 and understand my responsibilities as stated above concerning my participation in the Medical Marijuana Program. I confirm to the best of my knowledge the listed duties and information provided by my primary caregiver. I declare under penalty of perjury that the information I provided on and with this application is true and correct.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print name of applicant or legal representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of applicant or legal representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Medical Marijuana Program**  
**WRITTEN DOCUMENTATION OF PATIENT'S MEDICAL RECORDS**  
**(Please Print)**

**Note to Attending Physician:** This is not a mandatory form. If used, this form will serve as written documentation from the attending physician, stating that the patient has been diagnosed with a serious medical condition and that the medical use of marijuana is appropriate. A copy of this form must be filed in the attending physician's medical records for the patient. If the patient chooses to apply for a Medical Marijuana Identification card through the county health department or its designee, the agency will call the attending physician to verify the information contained on this form, in accordance with Health & Safety Code, Section 11362.72 (a)(3).

Attending physician name			California medical license number
Service mailing address (number, street)			Office telephone number (     )
City	State	ZIP code	Office fax number (     )
Licensed by ( <i>check one</i> ):			
<input type="checkbox"/> Medical Board of California		<input type="checkbox"/> Osteopathic Medical Board of California	

\_\_\_\_\_ is a patient under the medical care and supervision of the above  
 Patient's name  
 named physician who has diagnosed the patient with one or more of the following medical conditions:

1. Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS)
2. Anorexia
3. Arthritis
4. Cachexia
5. Cancer
6. Chronic pain
7. Glaucoma
8. Migraine
9. Persistent muscle spasms, including, but not limited to, spasms associated with multiple sclerosis
10. Seizures, including, but not limited to, seizures associated with epilepsy
11. Severe nausea
12. Any other chronic or persistent medical symptom that either:
  - a. Substantially limits the ability of the person to conduct one or more major life activities as defined in the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.
  - b. If not alleviated, may cause serious harm to the patient's safety or physical or mental health

**ATTENDING PHYSICIAN STATEMENT:**

**This patient has been diagnosed with one or more of the foregoing medical conditions and the use of medical marijuana is appropriate.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Attending physician's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone number

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date