

**Medical Cannabis in Illinois Presented by Kirsten Velasco** Covering: **Medical Conditions Patient Experience Science & Biology Laws and Politics** 

#### Deaths in the US per year (cdc.gov)

480,000: Tobacco

88,000: Alcohol

47,055: Drug Poisoning

## Cannabis: 0

- Patients report needing lower doses and less prescription medicines.
- Deaths from opioid overdose dropped 25% in states with Medical Cannabis

#### Addictiveness:



#### Cannabis has always been medicine. Used extensively as medicine in the US until 1937





Dr. Raphael Mechoulam "The Scientist" Documentary U.S. funded his research for 45 years

Search Pubmed.gov for Cannabinoid = 21,270

#### United States Patent #6630507 Cannabinoids as Antioxidants and Neuroprotectants

#### Reduces brain damage from Traumatic Brain Injury Slows the progression of Parkinson's



#### Cannabis is federally illegal. DEA classifies cannabis as a Schedule I substance: "having no medicinal value"

FDA: Marinol – Synthetic THC



- Over 28 States
- Medical Cannabis Pilot Program
- Compassionate Care Act
- Set to Expire July 1, 2020
- Approx. 13,000 patients

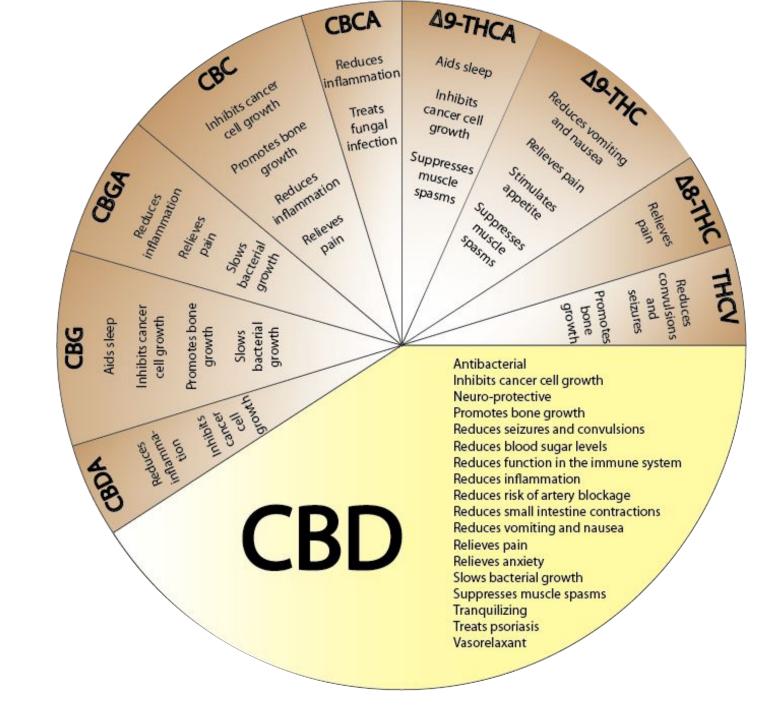
| AIDS/HIV                     | Patients must be diagnosed with one    |
|------------------------------|--|
| ALS                          | of these qualifying conditions:        |
| Alzheimer's                  |  |
| Arnold-Chiari Malformation   |  |
| Cachexia/Wasting Syndrome    |  |
| Cancer                       |  |
| Causalgia                    |  |
| Crohn's Disease              |  |
| CRPS: Complex Regional Pain  |  |
| Syndrome I & II              |  |
| Demyelinating Polyneuropathy |  |
| Dystonia                     |  |
| Fibromyalgia                 |  |
| Fibrous Dysplasia            |  |
| Glaucoma                     |  |
| Hepatitis C                  |  |
| Hydrocephalus                |  |
| Interstitial Cystitis        | Patients Petition in January to add co |
| Lupus                        |  |
| Multiple Sclerosis           | Blocked twice by Governor Rau          |
| Muscular Dystrophy           | Conditions are being added by cour     |
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**Myasthenia Gravis** Myoclonus **Nail-Patella Syndrome** Neurofibromatosis **Parkinson's Disease Post-Concussion Syndrome Post Traumatic Stress Disorder Residual Limb Pain Rheumatoid Arthritis Seizures including Epilepsy** Sjogren's Syndrome **Terminal Illness Tourette's Syndrome Traumatic Brain Injury** Spinal Cord Disease, including but not limited to: Arachnoiditis

**Tarlov Cysts** Hydromyelia Syringomyelia **Spinal Cord Injury Spinocerebellar Ataxia** 

- Compounds similar to Plant Cannabinoids
- Intercellular Communication System
  ECS: Endocannabinoid System
- Promotes Balance and Stability
- Plant Cannabinoids can assist the ECS
- Discovered in 1992



- CBD neutralizes the psychoactive effect of THC
- THC benefits: anti-nausea, anti-pain, antiinflammatory, anti-spasticity, appetite stimulant
- Entourage effect: natural mix enhances effectiveness
- Terpenes: create the smells and have strong influence on effects
- Patients adjust ratio of CBD and THC to maximize benefits

Parkinson's: calms tremors

Multiple Sclerosis: relaxes muscle spasms

Crohn's: reduces inflammation

PTSD: reduces anxiety

Cancer: anti-tumoral & treats side effects of chemo

### **Review!**

**Cannabis is:** 

**Non-Toxic** 

**Anti-Inflammatory** 

Neuroprotectant

**Treats Chronic Pain** 

Many active components

Customizable

Great! How do I get it?!!

#### **Three Steps to Access Medical Cannabis in Illinois:**

**Doctor's Certification:** 

Doctor sends form to State that verifies qualifying condition

Patient Application: Printed or Online Proof of Residence: current document w/ name and address Copy of Driver's License or State ID 2x2 picture

> **Digital Fingerprint Scan:** Consent form and receipt

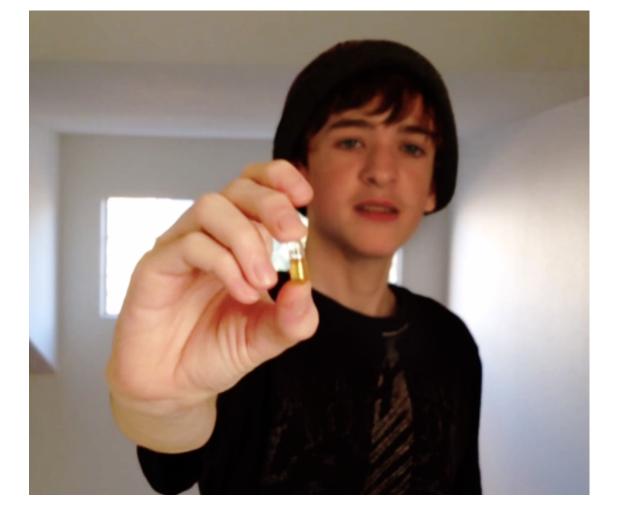
Fees: 1 yr.~ \$100, 2 yr.~ \$200 3 yr.~\$250 \$50/100/125: SSDI, SSI or Veterans \*Veterans don't need Dr. certification: send form DD214 with application \$25/50/75 for a Caregiver

Minors: 2 Dr. Certs & Parent is Caregiver

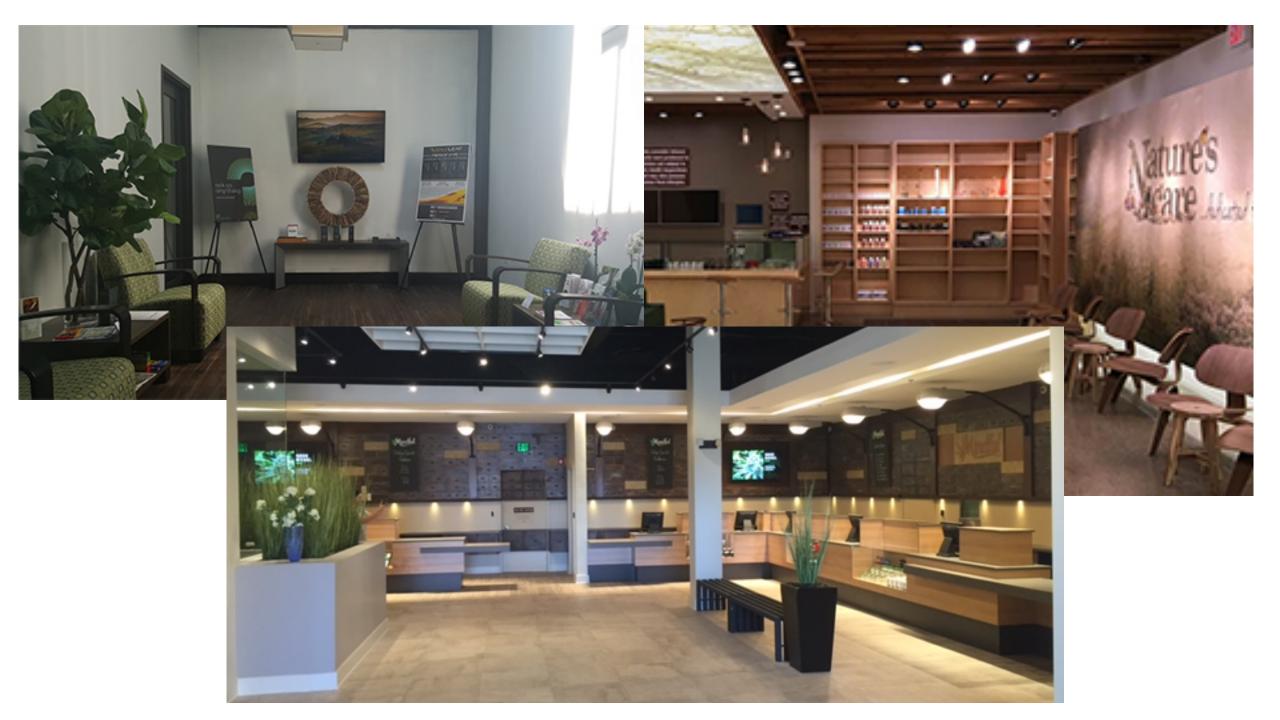
**Dispensary Designation** for tracking amount of medicine purchased. 2.5 oz. per 14 days unless adjusted by doctor

#### Methods of Consuming Medical Cannabis

- Inhalation: Smoking or Vanarizing
- Sublingu Edibl Lozei e Topic



Coltyn Turner, Originally from Jerseyville, IL





# **NON-TOXIC**

Cannabis is a non-toxic anti-inflammatory that can treat chronic pain and many other conditions.

You can join an organization that is already helping patients!! Thank you!







We are the Drug Policy Alliance. Help yourself and others discover the health benefits of medical cannabis. Schedule a medical cannabis presentation for your friends and family.



#### **Illinois Medical Cannabis on Facebook**





224-281-0888

**Pharma-style Cannabis Companies:** 

**GW** Pharmaceuticals

OWCP ~ Israel

Zynerba

Tweed/Bedrocan (Canopy Growth Corp.)

Kalytera (California)

**Insys Therapeutics** 

Cannabics/Technion

Vireo Health

**AXIM Biotechnologies** 

## FAQs:

- 1) FOID & CCL
- 2) Insurance Coverage
- 3) Employment
- 4) Cancer Treatment
- 5) CBD only
- 6) Driving Under the Influence

7) Dosing

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#### **Traditional Pharmaceutical Cannabis Medicines:**

**GW Pharmaceuticals** 

**OWCP** ~ Israel

Zynerba

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Tweed/Bedrocan (Canopy Growth Corp.)
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Kalytera (California)

**Insys Therapeutics** 

**Cannabics/Technion** 

Epidiolex: 98% CBD from plant (not synthesised) Completion of phase 3 trials in US for Dravet and Lennox Gastaut

Vireo Health

**AXIM Biotechnologies** 

Sativex: CBD & THC In 29 Countries for MS (pain and muscle spasms) Not available in the US

## **Optimizing Cellular Function**

Endocannabinoids: AEA & 2-AG (200+ similar compounds) & Phytocannabinoids: (from the plant) Stimulate the expression of receptors on the surface of the cells. They also trigger and modulate the receptors: Agonists and Antagonists

## Anti-tumoral and Apoptosis: Cancer Treatment Not just palliative care

Phytocannabinoids (THC & CBD) trigger the cells natural expiration Triggers the thinning and permeability of the cells surface, causing the escape of the mitochondria

Mara Gordon ~ Aunt Zelda's, colorado Dr. Christina Sanchez ~ University Complutense Madrid, Spain