

Online Table A. Indications for Which Marijuana Is Authorized for Medical Use

State	AD	Cachexia	Cancer	Chronic pain	CNS disorders	Crohn disease	Epilepsy	Glaucoma	Hepatitis C	HIV/AIDS
Alaska		X	X	X			X	X		X
California		X	X	X			X			X
Colorado		X	X	X	X†		X	X		X
Hawaii		X	X	X		X	X	X		X
Maine							X	X		
Michigan	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Montana		X		X		X	X			
Nevada		X	X	X			X	X		X
New Mexico			X		X§		X	X		X
Oregon	X	X	X	X			X	X		X
Rhode Island	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Vermont		X	X	X			X			X
Washington		X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X

AD = Alzheimer disease; ALS = amyotrophic lateral sclerosis; CNS = central nervous system; HIV = human immunodeficiency virus; MS = multiple sclerosis.

*—With limits: states where there are selected indications, but no allowance for petitioning public health authorities to add other indications. Modified limits: states where individuals and organizations can appeal to public health authorities to add indications. No limits: states that essentially have no limits on indications that warrant the medical use of marijuana; California has the broadest law, including “any ... illness for which marijuana provides relief.”

†—Chronic nervous system disorders.

‡—Restricted to nausea caused by AIDS or cancer chemotherapy.

§—Spinal cord damage.

||—A recent amendment significantly broadened the indications to “any disease, including anorexia, which results in nausea, vomiting, wasting, appetite loss, cramping, seizures, muscle spasms, and/or spasticity, when these symptoms are unrelieved by standard treatments or medications.”

<i>Migraine</i>	<i>MS</i>	<i>Nausea</i>	<i>Other</i>	<i>Limits*</i>
	X	X		Modified
X	X		Arthritis	No
	X	X		Modified
	X	X		Modified
	X	X‡		Yes
	X	X	ALS	Yes
	X	X		Yes
	X	X		Modified
	X		Hospice care	Modified
	X	X		Modified
	X	X		Modified
	X	X		Yes
	X	X	Multiple	Modified

Online Table B. Medical Marijuana: Resources for Physicians

Organizations

National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML) (http://norml.org/index.cfm?Group_ID=3391)

ProCon.org (<http://medicalmarijuana.procon.org>)

Publications

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Institute of Medicine books

Marijuana and Medicine: Assessing the Science Base (http://www.nap.edu/openbook.php?record_id=6376)

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