



Patient & Caregiver Newsletter - October 2021

Caregiver Registration

The Board of Pharmacy voted to end the Temporary Expansion of Caregiver Registration policy, effective September 8, 2021. **All caregivers must now be registered through a recommending physician and the Board will no longer be able to register caregivers directly.** Additionally, each patient will be permitted to have up to two caregivers linked to their account and each caregiver will be permitted to have up to two patients.

Notwithstanding the two patient and two caregiver limit, a request for additional caregivers or additional patients may be made to the Board pursuant to [OAC 3796:7-2-02\(F\)](#). The Board **will not** be removing existing caregivers who registered under this temporary policy.

Renewing Patient or Caregiver Registration

Patients and caregivers will not receive an automated email from the Registry with a link to renew their registration. Once a patient receives their new recommendation, they can visit www.ohiomedicalmarijuanaregistry.com and sign in using their email address and the password they created when they activated their Registry account to complete the renewal process. Caregivers can renew their registrations by logging into their profile using their email address and the password they created when they activated their Registry account.

If patients or caregivers do not remember their password, they can send an email request to MCRegistry@pharmacy.ohio.gov for a password reset link. Once they log into their Registry account, patients or caregivers can click the red button labelled "**RENEW CARD**" and proceed to payment to renew their registration.

Registering With Indigent/Veteran Status

Individuals registering with the Ohio Medical Marijuana Control Program as a patient who qualifies for indigent or veteran status, and individuals registering as a caregiver for such a patient, can have their registration fee reduced by 50%. The patient must submit documentation to the State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy to qualify for their special status. Individuals only need to apply for special status one time. Once the special status is added to a profile, the status remains with the individual as long as the person's card is active and renewed annually. See our [QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE: REGISTERING WITH INDIGENT/VETERAN STATUS](#) for detailed instructions.

Rule Reminder

Pursuant to [Rule 3796:7-2-06](#), at any time, a patient or caregiver may voluntarily relinquish their patient or caregiver medical marijuana registration by notifying the State Board of Pharmacy in writing. Contact registry staff at MMCPRegistry@pharmacy.ohio.gov to obtain a form to relinquish the patient or caregiver card. Once a registration is relinquished, any medical marijuana in your possession needs to be disposed of within seven calendar days. Acceptable methods for the dispossession of medical marijuana can be found in Rule [3796:6-3-14](#) of the Ohio Administrative Code.

