CANNABIS RESOURCES

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Introduction: This page is intended to provide updated information on cannabis, its consumption, legal aspects, potential risks & cessation resources. We are currently adding information as the situation in Massachusetts develops & the landscape in Adams evolves. Please stay tuned & feel free to contact the board with any questions, comments, or suggestions.

Background: Medical marijuana was legalized in the Acts of 2012, <u>Chapter 369</u>, and recreational marijuana was legalized in the Acts of 2016, <u>Chapter 334</u>, which also established the Cannabis Control Commission (CCC) and imposed a tax structure. The Acts of 2017, <u>Chapter 55</u> replaced the latter law, refining the function of the CCC and the cannabis tax structure.

CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION (CCC): https://masscannabiscontrol.com/. On September 15, 2022, the CCC recognized the 5th anniversary of a "Safe, Equitable, and Effectively Regulated Industry" (Press.Release).

CCC PERMITTING DATABASE: https://opendata.mass-cannabis-control.com/; contents include:

Agent Registration & Ownership

Licenses & Applications

Sales & Product Distribution

Tutorials

Medical Use for Marijuana Program

More about Marijuana – Additional information for medical professionals & caregivers Metrc Seed to Sale Program – Tracking procedures

MASSACHUSETTS CANNABIS LAWS: https://masscannabiscontrol.com/know-the-laws/#laws

Includes regulations in Spanish & Portuguese

Reglamentos en Español: Uso Adulto del Cannabis & Uso Medical del Cannabis Regulamentos em Português: Uso de Macanho por Adultos & Uso Medicinal da Cannabis

MEDICAL CANNABIS / MA PATIENT ADVOCACY ALLIANCE: https://www.compassionforpatients.com/

The Massachusetts Patient Advocacy Alliance, Inc. (MPAA) represents the coalition of patients, caregivers, family members, medical professionals, and public health groups that helped draft and pass the 2012 ballot question to legalize medical marijuana. Since the medical marijuana law was passed, MPAA has worked continuously with the Department of Public Health, the MA Cannabis Control Commission, and other stakeholders during the roll out of medical marijuana to ensure implementation of the law was completed in a manner that worked for both individual patients and communities as a whole. We continue working every day for safe access as we lead medical cannabis into the mainstream through our educational events and materials, advocacy, research, and our efforts to protect patient rights. [From their website]

Addiction Resources (pending)