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BECOMING A MEDICAL MARIJUANA PATIENT IN CONNECTICUT

This packet meant to be a complete and thorough guide to the certification and registration process. We have summarized the process in a simple checklist format here and will continue to delve into a detailed guide to empower you throughout your certification. If at any point you are unsure or overwhelmed, you are more than welcome to visit The Botanist for complete assistance.

1. See a physician to be certified
2. Complete online application
3. Medical marijuana program reviews your application
4. Receive registration certificate in email from medical marijuana program
5. Schedule your orientation appointment with our experienced pharmacist
6. Make your first purchase at *The Botanist*

The first step in becoming a patient in the CT Medical Marijuana Program (MMP) is seeing a physician of your choice certify you for the Medical Marijuana Program. We always recommend reaching out to your PCP or a Medical Specialist you're seeing for your qualifying condition before reaching out to another physician for the certification process.

The physician will enter your information into BIZNET, which is the Medical Marijuana Program's Portal for applications. Once your physician has completed this part of the process, you should get an automated email from the MMP prompting you to start working on your application. *If you do not get an email alerting you about your certification and completing the application within a few days of seeing your doctor, please reach out to us for further assistance.*

If you decide to visit The Botanist for further assistance, please review the following checklist to make sure you have everything you need!

- Access to your email on your phone
- Proof of Identity
- Proof of Residency
- Debit or Credit Card for Payment

Email Address:

Be sure to note the email you used and the password you created below for future renewals!

Password:

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BELOW IS THE COMPLETE STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE TO COMPLETING THE APPLICATION PROCESS ON YOUR OWN

1. See a Physician of your choice to be certified.
2. Receive DCP Email and start the application process.
3. Visit the BIZNET website: www.BIZNET.CT.gov
4. Click on, “State Regulations, Services and Forms.”
5. Click on, “Medical Marijuana Registration.”
6. Click on, “Create New Account.”
 - a. Enter your first and last name, the email you gave your physician and a password of your choice and click Submit
7. Check your email for an email from BIZNET regarding Login Activation.
 - a. You will need to open the email and click on the link that says, “clicking here.”
8. At this point, you can log in to the application using your email as the username and the password you created. Alternatively, you can call *The Botanist* of your choice for help completing the application.
9. Upon logging in, you will see three options: “I am a Physician/Nurse Practitioner, I am a Patient, and I am a Caregiver.” Click, “I am a Patient.”
 - a. If you get an error code when you click, “I am a Patient,” please call the dispensary. It’s possible that your doctor hasn’t certified you yet, or that there is a typo in your email address preventing BIZNET from linking your account to your application. We can help with this!
10. Enter your Date of Birth and Email to proceed to the first page of the application. Once you get to the main page, please carefully review the information entered by your Physician. If there are any errors, please correct them before proceeding.
 - a. If you get an error code after entering your Date of Birth and Email, please call the dispensary. There was a clerical error in entering your Date of Birth or Email. We can help you reach out to the MMP and your physician to have this corrected.
11. To complete the application, you must upload a Proof of Identity and a Proof of Residency.
 - a. See page XX for Proofs of Identity and Proofs of Residency.
12. Continue through the application, review and agree to the terms set forth by the MMP.
13. Submit your payment to the Medical Marijuana Program.
 - a. Due to COVID-19, no one is in the MMP offices to receive checks or money orders. Be sure to complete your payment using a Debit or Credit Card. Please note: American Express is not accepted.
14. Within 30 Business Days the MMP will issue you a printable version of your card via email. The email will have the subject line, “Patient Approved,” and it will come from DCP.MMP@CT.gov
15. Please call *The Botanist* to setup your Orientation Appointment. The Orientation Appointment is free and includes a thorough consultation with one of our pharmacists. Our pharmacist will review your goals and prescriptions, answer any questions you have, and help you come up with a plan. The Pharmacist will also review the menu, the kinds of products we carry, etc.
16. When you come to *The Botanist*, please bring your MMP Card (from your email) and a Valid Photo ID. If needed, we can print and laminate the MMP Card for you.

If you are a patient that has a Caregiver on your application, please note that the Caregiver will also need to upload a Proof of Identity to their application and submit the registration fee of \$25. If you have a Caregiver associated with your application, please know that the Caregiver’s application must be successfully completed before the MMP will review your patient application. Please contact *The Botanist* if you’d like to add or remove a caregiver to or from your application.

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ADULTS, DEBILITATING MEDICAL CONDITIONS:

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis
Cachexia
Cancer
Cerebral Palsy
Complex Regional Pain Syndrome, Type 1 and Type II
Crohn's Disease
Cystic Fibrosis
Damage to the Nervous Tissue of the Spinal Cord with Objective Neurological Indication of Intractable Spasticity
Epilepsy
Glaucoma
Irreversible Spinal Cord Injury with Objective Neurological Indication of Intractable Spasticity
Multiple Sclerosis
Parkinson's Disease
Positive Status for Human Immunodeficiency Virus or Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
Post Laminectomy Syndrome with Chronic Radiculopathy
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder
Severe Psoriasis and Psoriatic Arthritis
Sickle Cell Disease
Terminal Illness Requiring End-Of-Life Care
Ulcerative Colitis
Wasting Syndrome
Uncontrolled Intractable Seizure Disorder
Spasticity or Neuropathic Pain Associated with Fibromyalgia
Severe Rheumatoid Arthritis
Post Herpetic Neuralgia
Hydrocephalus with Intractable Headache
Intractable Headache Syndromes
Neuropathic Facial Pain
Muscular Dystrophy
Osteogenesis Imperfecta
Chronic Neuropathic Pain Associated with Degenerative Spinal Disorders
Interstitial Cystitis
MALS Syndrome (Median Arcuate Ligament Syndrome)
Vulvodynia and Vulvar Burning
Intractable Neuropathic Pain that Is Unresponsive to Standard Medical Treatments
Tourette Syndrome
Chronic Pain of at least 6 months duration associated with a specified underlying chronic condition refractory to other treatment intervention
Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome Associated with Chronic Pain

PATIENTS UNDER 18, DEBILITATING MEDICAL CONDITIONS:

Cerebral Palsy
Cystic Fibrosis
Irreversible Spinal Cord Injury with Objective Neurological Indication of Intractable Spasticity
Severe Epilepsy

Terminal Illness Requiring End-Of-Life Care
Uncontrolled Intractable Seizure Disorder
Muscular Dystrophy
Osteogenesis Imperfecta
Intractable Neuropathic Pain that Is Unresponsive to Standard Medical Treatments
Tourette Syndrome for patients who have failed standard medical treatment

Acceptable Proofs of Identity:

You must upload ONE of the following to your application as your Proof of Identity. Please make sure that it has not expired.

- US Passport or Passport Card
- Permanent Resident Card
- Connecticut or out-of-state Issued Driver's License
- Connecticut Issued ID, Certificate of Naturalization
- Certificate of Citizenship
- Connecticut Pistol or Firearm Permit

Acceptable Proofs of Residency:

You must submit ONE document from the following list in your application to prove that your home is in Connecticut. PLEASE NOTE: The document must show your name and your Connecticut residence address, be dated within the last 90 days (unless stated otherwise below), and be computer-generated. Acceptable documents include:

- Computer generated bill or statement from a bank or mortgage company, utility company, doctor or hospital
- Pre-Printed pay stub showing both your name and address and your employer's name and address
- Current valid homeowner's, renters, or motor vehicle insurance policy dated within the last year
- W-2 form, property, or excise tax bill, or Social Security Administration or other pension or retirement annual benefits summary statement and dated with in the current or prior year.
- Current motor vehicle loan statement for a motor vehicle registered in your name
- Residential mortgage or similar loan contract, lease or rental contract showing signatures from all parties needed to execute the agreement and dated within the last year
- First-class mail addressed to your home address
- Connecticut voter registration card
- Survey of your Connecticut property issued by a licensed surveyor
- Connecticut handgun permit
- Medicaid or Medicare Benefit Statement

- Motor vehicle registration

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DOCTORS BY COUNTY

Fairfield County:

Dr. Judith Major (203)261-1727 | Monroe
Teresa Healy APRN (203)733-3323 | Bethel
Donna Eckenrode APRN (203)909- 9501 | Danbury & Bethel
Dr. Fawad Hameedi (203)456-0276 | Bethel
Dr. Michell Prywess (203)744-4343 | Danbury
Dr. Michele Novella (203)947-5529 | Danbury
John Lujanac, APRN (203)257-3130 | Sandy Hook
Nicholas J O'Brien APRN (203)347-3189 | Waterbury

Hartford County:

Compassionate Solutions (860)803-6951 | Glastonbury
Kathy's Urgent Care (860)420-3660 | Berlin
Innovative Psychological Solutions (860)785-9478 | West Hartford
Dr. Corey Jacques (860)218-1725 | West Hartford
Dr. Gayle Klein (860)420-3420 | Manchester
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New London County:

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FNP Medical Services (860)892-8195 | New London
Christopher Anderson APRN (860)245-4126 | Mystic
Dr. Stefana Pecher (860)535-4600 | N. Stonington
Dr. Derek Smith (860)886-1433 | Norwich

Middlesex County:

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Dr. Stephen Brown (860)937-7199 | Westbrook

Tolland County:

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Ellington
Dr. Leela Panoor (860) 519-2710 | Storrs

Multiple Locations:

Amy Lane APRN (860)823-0245 | Call for Locations!
Teresa Healy, APRN (860)823-0245 | Call for Locations
Canna Care Docs (860)937-5957 | Call for Locations

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