About The Maryland Medical Cannabis Commission

The mission of the Maryland Medical Cannabis Commission (MMCC) is to provide a safe, effective, and consumer-friendly medical cannabis program for qualifying patients.

The MMCC consists of 13 Commission members, who are appointed by the Governor and serve 4-year, staggered terms. The Commission members include experts in a profession relating to health (medicine, pharmacy), law, finance or agriculture.

The MMCC oversees Maryland’s medical cannabis program in the following areas:

- Regulatory body for Maryland medical cannabis oversight
- Licensing, Registration and Inspections
- Testing measures
- Providing program information to: patients, caregivers, providers, growers, processors, dispensaries, independent testing laboratories, and third-party vendors

MMCC Operating Principles

- Transparency
- Communication
- Compliance and Quality
- Education
- Equity

MMCC Departments

- Enforcement and Compliance
- Communications
- Finance
- Information Technology
- Policy and Government Affairs
- Quality Assurance
- Scientific Support

Maryland Medical Cannabis License Types

- **Grower**: A business that grows cannabis in a commercial facility.
- **Processor**: A business responsible for taking the raw cannabis plant and creating entirely new products, including concentrates, topicals and edibles.
- **Dispensary**: A business that sells cannabis for medicinal uses to patients and caregivers.

Other MMCC Registration Types

- Independent Testing Laboratories
- Security Guard Agencies
- Secure Transportation Companies
- Waste Disposal Companies

Who qualifies for medical cannabis in Maryland?

A qualifying patient is an individual who:

- Lives in Maryland or is in the State to receive in-patient care at a Joint Commission Accredited Medical Facility.
- Registers with the MMCC (for patients under age 18, a parent or legal guardian must register with the MMCC as a caregiver before registering the patient).
- Has been provided a written certification for a qualifying condition by a certifying provider who is registered with the MMCC.

Qualifying patients may only obtain medical cannabis from a licensed Maryland dispensary.

For more information, visit mmcc.maryland.gov