

Please leave any questions blank if you're uncomfortable answering them.  
We will keep your information confidential, sharing it only with those for whom you give us permission.

**"I believe marijuana should be legally available for medical purposes."**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, and Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Sign me up for MPP's e-mail alerts.

**Please check any of the following conditions that you have:**

cancer  glaucoma

AIDS  paralysis

multiple sclerosis  chronic pain

epilepsy  arthritis

other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

I don't use medical marijuana, but I know someone who does.

I don't know anyone who uses medical marijuana, but I want to help anyway.

If your physician is supportive of medical marijuana, may we contact him or her to sign MPP's physician statement of support? (More than 8,000 physicians have already done so.) If so, please list your physician's name and contact information here:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, and Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

"Considering the evidence available today about the potential therapeutic benefits and risks associated with marijuana and its cannabinoids, ACP believes that it is time to review the evidence to determine whether reclassification is appropriate ... We believe that an evidence-based review by federal regulatory authorities on the safety and efficacy of marijuana and cannabinoids for therapeutic purposes will likely provide evidence to support both appropriate reclassification and adjustment of federal drug enforcement laws, reduce conflict between federal and state law, and strengthen public confidence in the federal regulatory structure."

—American College of Physicians, August 2008

"Marijuana has a wide margin of safety for use under prescribed supervision, and it is effective for numerous conditions."

—American Nurses Association, June 2003

"A federal policy that prohibits physicians from alleviating suffering by prescribing marijuana for seriously ill patients is misguided, heavy-handed, and inhumane."

—New England Journal of Medicine editorial by Jerome P. Kassirer, M.D., January 1997

"Marijuana, in its natural form, is one of the safest therapeutically active substances known to man ... It would be unreasonable, capricious and arbitrary for DEA to continue to stand between those sufferers and the benefits of this substance."

—DEA Administrative Law Judge Francis L. Young, September 1988

**When you send us the attached information slip, we will add you to MPP's newsletter mailing list.**

**We look forward to working with you!**



**Do you know anyone who needs to use marijuana for medical purposes?**

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## **MPP is working for compassion and common sense.**

People fighting cancer, AIDS, MS, and other serious illnesses shouldn't have to suffer when medical marijuana can provide relief.

### **MPP's Major Accomplishments**

- **Medical marijuana patients and caregivers no longer fear arrest in Rhode Island, Hawaii, and Vermont** because MPP successfully drafted and gained passage of medical marijuana laws through these states' legislatures.
- **Medical marijuana patients in Michigan and Montana are protected** because the states' voters overwhelmingly passed MPP's medical marijuana initiatives.
- **Small-time marijuana possession in Massachusetts is punishable just by a \$100 fine** because the state's voters passed MPP's decriminalization initiative.
- **Medical marijuana patients in Maryland are no longer subject to imprisonment** because MPP persuaded the Republican governor to sign its medical marijuana bill.
- **Two states are getting close to ending marijuana prohibition entirely**, as MPP's ballot initiatives to tax and regulate marijuana like alcohol twice garnered the all-time biggest votes in the history of the country — 44% in both Alaska and Nevada.
- **Approximately 1.5 million Californians live in municipalities where adult marijuana offenses are the lowest priority** for local law enforcement because MPP's grants program provided almost all of the funding to pass local ordinances through four ballot initiatives in Oakland, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, and Santa Monica, and through the city councils of West Hollywood and San Francisco.
- **The National Academy of Sciences recognizes marijuana's medical value** due in large part to MPP's efforts to provide patient and physician perspectives to the Institute of Medicine, which issued its landmark report favorable for medical marijuana.
- **MPP has debated White House officials and other prohibitionists** on national TV and radio and on the pages of almost every newspaper in the country. MPP's projects have been featured on the cover of *Time* magazine; in articles in *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *The Washington Post*, *USA Today*, the Associated Press, and Reuters; and in appearances on National Public Radio; NBC's "The Today Show"; CNN's "American Morning," "Crossfire," "Headline News," and "Lou Dobbs Tonight"; FOX News' "The O'Reilly Factor"; CNBC's "On the Money"; PBS's "NewsHour with Jim Lehrer"; and Comedy Central's "The Colbert Report."

## **THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE use marijuana as part of their treatment for cancer, AIDS, multiple sclerosis, chronic pain, epilepsy, and other serious illnesses.**

*Perhaps you are one of them.*

Unfortunately, the federal government currently gives only four patients legal permission to use marijuana, through a federal program that was closed to all new applicants in 1992.

Although 13 states have passed laws protecting medical marijuana patients from arrest and jail, medical marijuana remains illegal under federal law.

To truly solve this problem, our nation's federal policies must be changed. If you're a medical marijuana patient—or a friend or family member of a patient—MPP needs your help. We can't change the laws without working with patients themselves.

**MPP is the largest marijuana policy reform organization in the United States.**

### **MPP's projects include:**

- ✓ encouraging major health and medical associations to take favorable positions on medical marijuana;
- ✓ urging federal agencies to clear the way for FDA approval of marijuana as a prescription medicine;

- ✓ lobbying state legislatures to pass legislation to protect marijuana-using patients from arrest;
- ✓ helping activists to build support for other medical marijuana bills in their home states; and
- ✓ building support for medical marijuana legislation in the U.S. Congress.

### **And we need your help...**

**MPP is looking for patients who could benefit (or are already benefiting) from medical marijuana and who would be willing to lobby health and medical associations, call or write to federal agencies, be interviewed by local reporters, testify before state legislatures, and lobby and/or write to members of Congress.**

**Please fill out the information slip on the reverse and return it to MPP. ►**