

# MINNESOTA MEDICAL CANNABIS PROGRAM UPDATE

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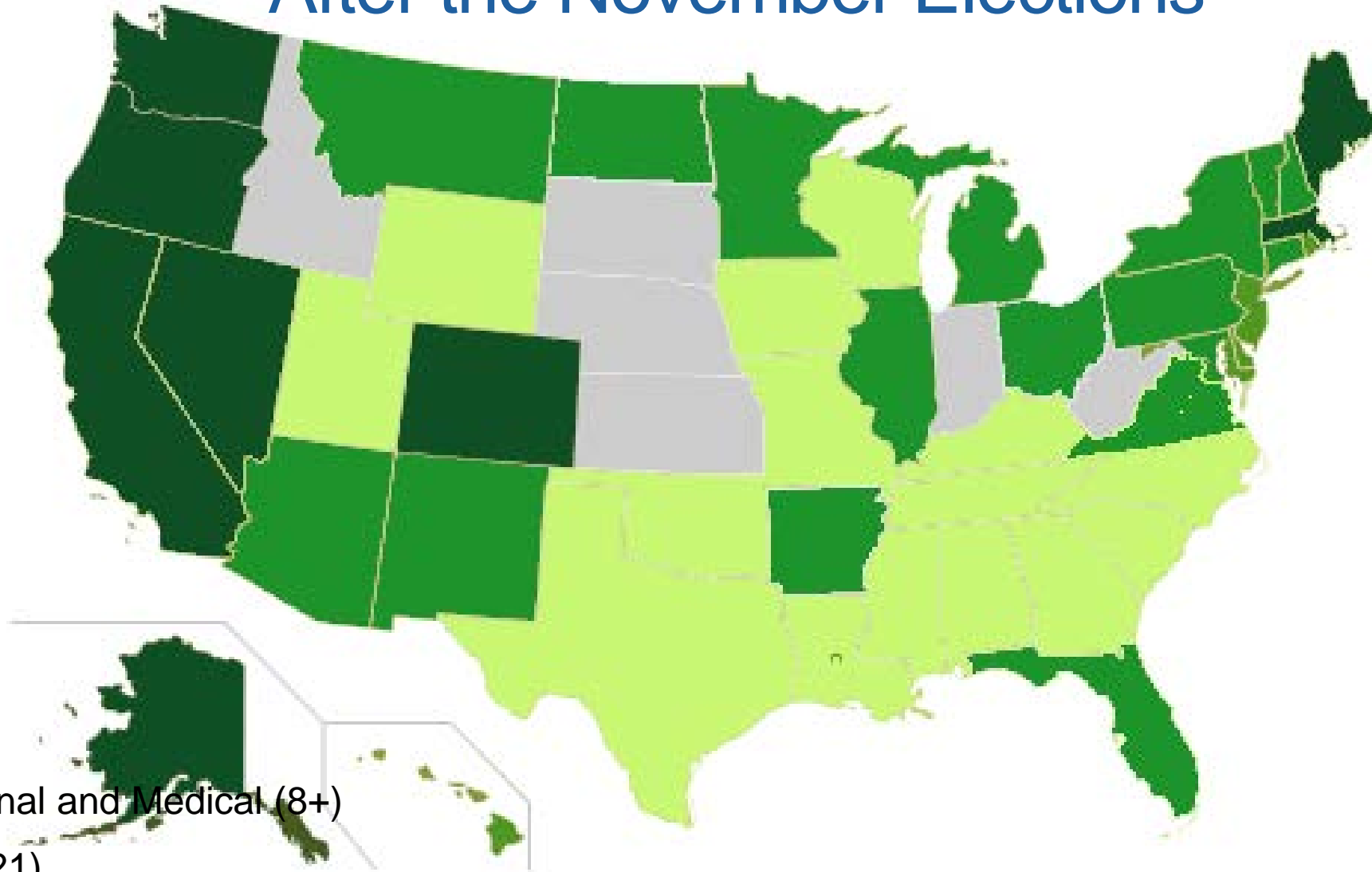
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# Overview

- Quick program update
- Review of petition process
- Commissioner Ehlinger's addition of qualifying medical condition/delivery method
- OMC Research Staff
- Task Force's Impact Assessment Report

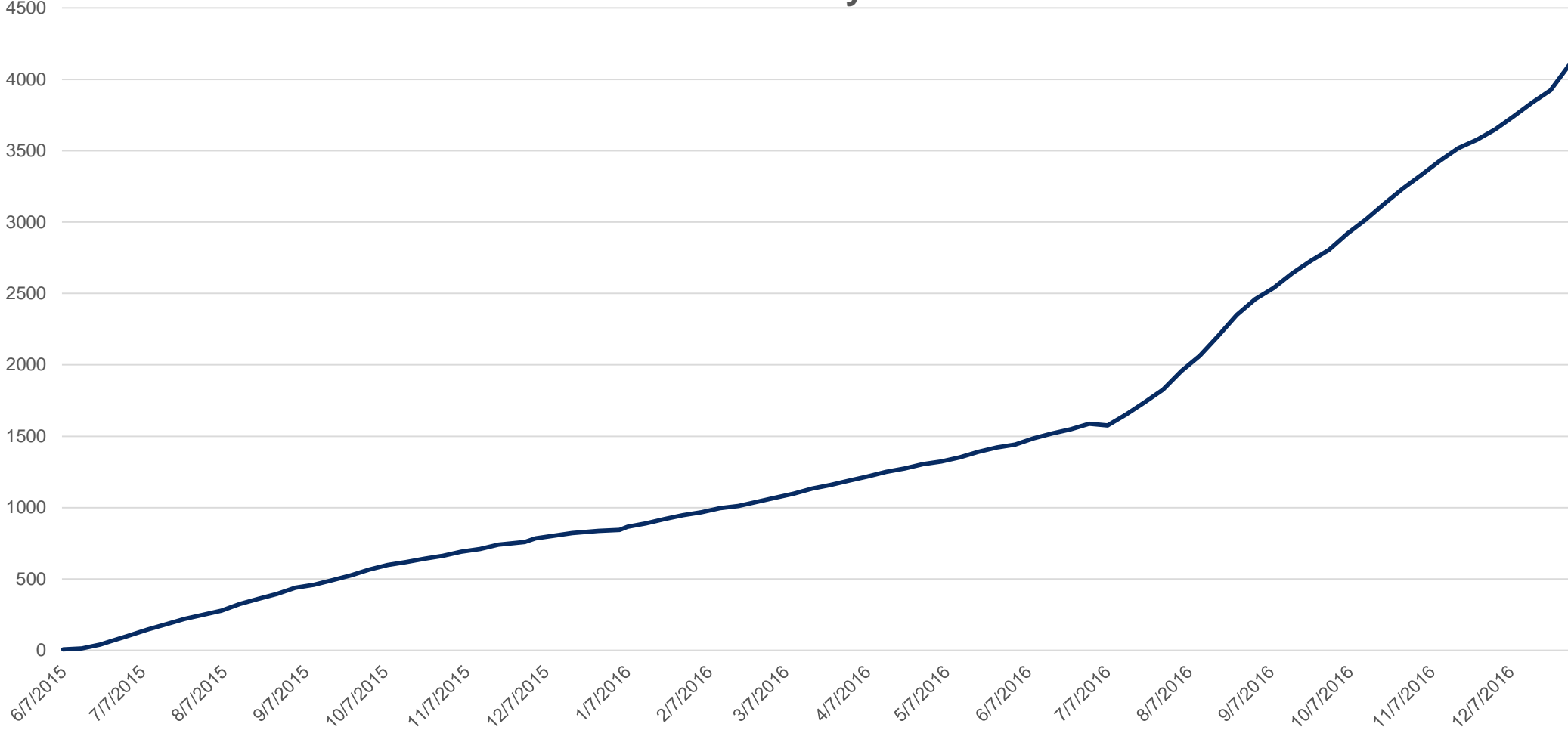
# After the November Elections



-  Recreational and Medical (8+)
-  Medical (21)
-  Low THC/High CBD Products (15)

# Patients Active in Registry

Number of Patients Active in Registry (n = 4,097)  
As of January 5



## Program update

- **Program continues to develop and mature**
- **Number of patients increasing, largely due to addition of intractable pain**
- **Number of enrolled patients with IP: 2,255**
- **All other conditions combined: 2,233 enrolled**
- **240% increase in # of calls handled by OMC support center over same period last year**
  - Last quarter of 2015: 1596 calls handled (average of 93.9/week)
  - Last quarter of 2016: 3829 calls handled (average of 225.2/week)

## Impact of Intractable Pain – age group profiles (as of 1/3/2017)

Age Group	# of Patients	% of Patients (n = 4042)	# of Patients on July 1, 2016	% of Patients on July 1, 2016 (n = 1520)
Less than 18 years	151	56.7	152	10
18 to 24 years	134	23.5	92	6
25 to 35 years	526	14.2	206	14
36 to 49 years	1004	8.2	397	26
50 to 64 years	1412	3.9	493	32
65 years and older	828	2.3	180	12

Average age on January 3, 2017 is 50.5 years

Average age on July 1, 2017 was 44.2 years

## Patient registry data – gender profile (as of 1/2/2017)

<b>Gender</b>	<b># of Patients 1/3/2017</b>	<b>% of Patients 1/3/2017 (n = 4042)</b>	<b># of Patients 7/1/2016</b>	<b>% of Patients 7/1/2016 (n = 1520)</b>
<b>Female</b>	1,975	48.9	664	43.7
<b>Male</b>	2,045	50.6	851	56
<b>No answer</b>	22	0.5	5	0.3

# Petition Process to Add Conditions/Delivery Methods

- Petitions received: 20 petitions (9 conditions; 3 methods reviewed)
- OMC staff produced research brief for each of the petitioned medical conditions
- Seven-member citizen Review Panel to assist
- Four public meetings (Aug. – Oct.) – public testimony at three
- November 1: Review Panel's report to Commissioner
- December 1: Commissioner's decision was announced



## Petitions and Additions

- PTSD added as a qualifying medical condition
  - Topicals added as an approved mode of administration.
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### Petitions not approved:

#### Medical conditions

- Acquired absence of limb/phantom pain
- Arthritis
- Autism
- Depression
- Diabetes
- Ehlers-Danlos syndrome

- Insomnia
- Schizophrenia

#### Delivery methods/forms:

- Whole plant
- Edibles

## Upcoming Reports

January 15, 2017: State departments impacted by the program must report to Task Force co-chairs the costs incurred implementing the program.

(Minn.Stat. §152.36, subd. 3)

February 1, 2017: Task Force co-chairs must submit a program impact assessment report to the legislature.

(Minn.Stat. §152.36, subd. 4)

# References and Resources

<http://www.health.state.mn.us/topics/cannabis/>