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Visiting Qualifying Patients: Out of State Registration

Per Rule 74(2) (R 333.274) of the Administrative Rules, a provisioning center may sell or transfer marijuana product to a visiting qualifying patient if both of the following criteria are met:

- The licensee verifies that the visiting qualifying patient has a valid unexpired medical marijuana registry card – or its equivalent – issued in another state, district, territory, commonwealth, or insular possession of the United States that allows the medical use of marijuana.
- The licensee confirms that the visiting qualifying patient presented his or her valid driver license or government-issued identification card that bears a photographic image of the visiting qualifying patient.

As of December 3, 2018, the state of Ohio activated its patient and caregiver registry which requires that only patients with an active registry card and their associated government-issued ID can purchase medical marijuana. Digital copies of the Ohio Medical Marijuana Control Program patient and caregiver registry cards are acceptable in Michigan provisioning centers.

Physician certifications from the state of Ohio are no longer valid as a means to purchase medical marijuana in Michigan.

Based on the available data, the following states are currently issuing medical marijuana cards or registration certifications to patients:

- Alaska
- Arizona
- California
- Colorado
- Connecticut
- Delaware
- Florida
- Hawaii
- Illinois
- Maine
- Maryland
- Massachusetts
- Minnesota
- Montana
- Nevada
- New Hampshire
- New Jersey
- New Mexico
- New York
- Ohio
- Oregon
- Pennsylvania
- Rhode Island
- Vermont
- Washington
- Washington DC
- West Virginia*

* Has a medical marijuana program but will not issue patient ID cards until July 1, 2019.

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