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MEDICAL CANNABIS

Interim Joint Committee on Health Services

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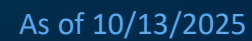
Medical Cannabis Practitioner & Cardholder Updates

Authorized Medical Cannabis Practitioners

493

Total Authorized Practitioners

As of 10/13/2025



Written Certifications Issued By Practitioners

21,628

Total Certifications Issued

As of 10/13/2025

Written Certifications By Qualifying Condition

Qualifying Condition	Written Certifications
Cancer	1,589
Chronic Pain	14,044
Chronic Nausea	855
Multiple Sclerosis	1,360
Post Traumatic Stress Disorder	6,945
Seizure Disorder	688

As of 10/13/2025

Total: 25,481

****Written certifications can be provided for more than one (1) qualifying condition***

Qualified Patient Applications Submitted

15,819

Total Patient Applications

As of 10/13/2025

Qualified Patient Applications Approved

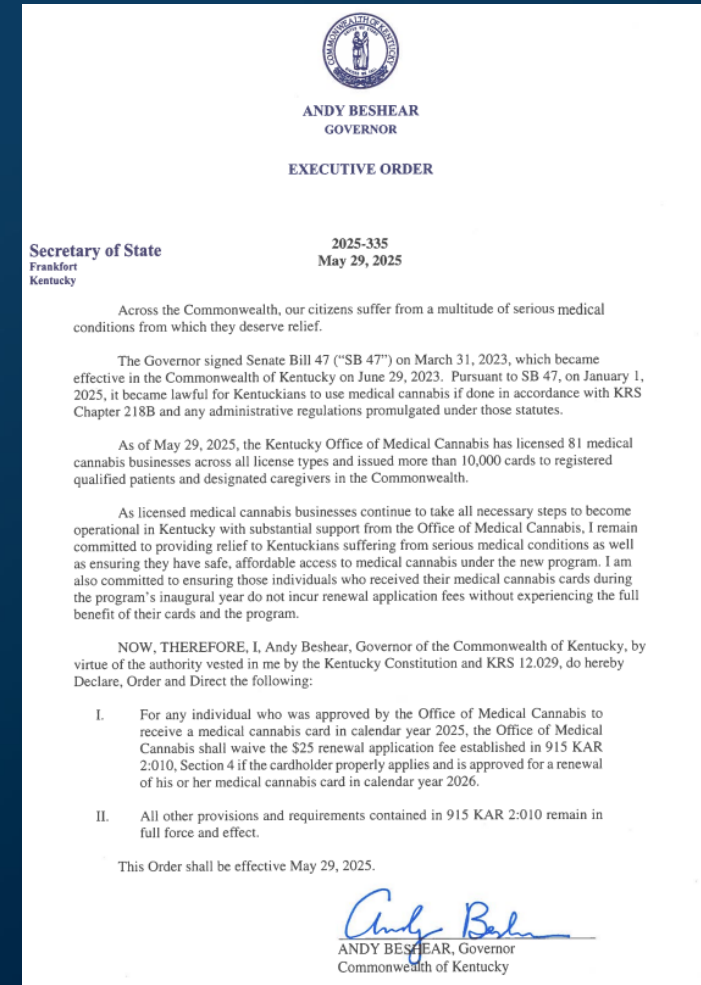
14,900

Total Patient Approved Applications

As of 10/13/2025

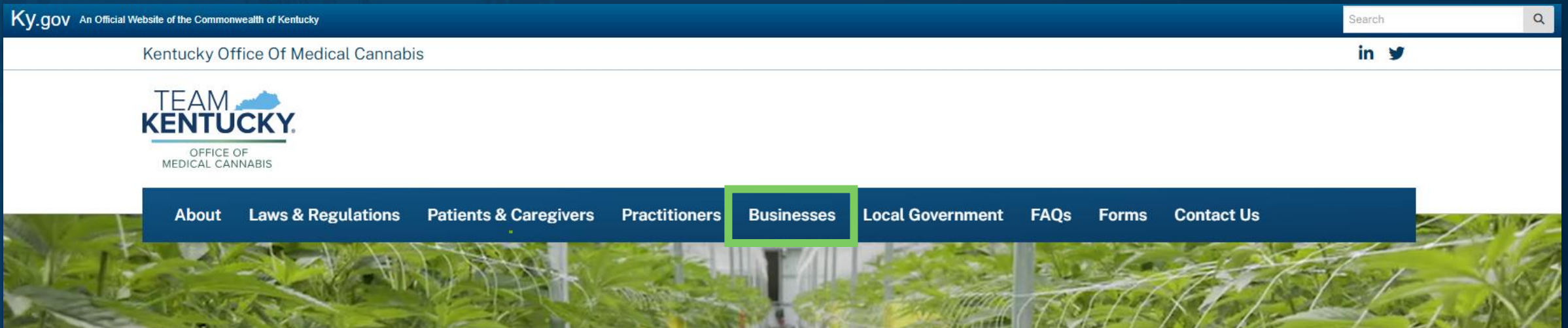
Executive Order 2025-335 (May 29, 2025)

On May 29, 2025, Governor Beshear issued Executive Order 2025-355, allowing any individual who was approved by the Office to Receive a medical cannabis card in calendar year 2025 to have their \$25 renewal application fee waived in calendar year 2026.



Business Licensees

Business Licensees



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Overview of Inspections Approved and Scheduled

Cultivators



1. Goeing Blue ✓
2. Armory ✓
3. Natural State ✓

Processors



1. Bison Infused
Kentucky - **scheduled**

Safety Compliance Facilities



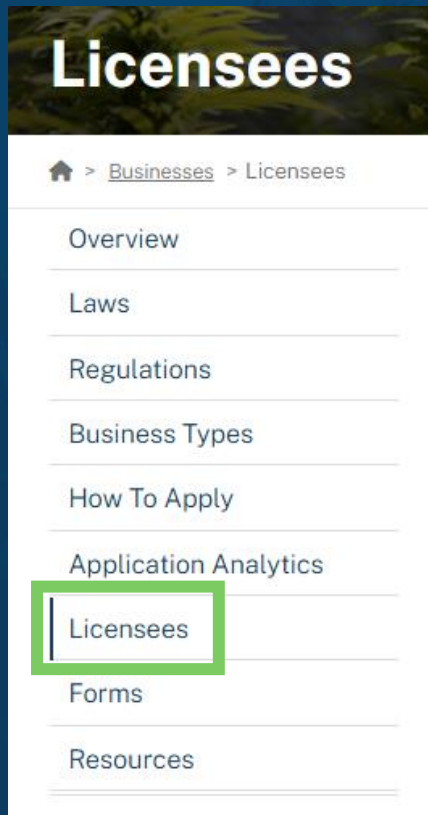
1. KCA Labs ✓
2. Aquatic Labs ✓

Dispensaries



1. The Post ✓

Dispensary Licensees



- **The Post Dispensary**, a dispensary licensee located in Ohio County, has been approved to operate as of July 31, 2025.
- 46 out of the 48 dispensary licensees from lottery drawings have met regulatory requirements.

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Find a Dispensary

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Find a Dispensary

Please note: as of October 10, 2025, no medical cannabis dispensaries are open. Updates on availability will be found on this page.

The information on this page has be updated as of October 10, 2025.

Welcome to the Kentucky Medical Cannabis Program's Dispensary Directory. The below tool provides a list of licensed dispensaries that are in settled locations. However, it is important to note that dispensaries may request to change locations at a later time. For a full list of licensed medical cannabis businesses, please click [here](#).

At this time, please use this licensed dispensary directory to determine your proximity to a licensed medical cannabis dispensary. Once dispensaries are open and products are for sale, it will be noted on this page.

Thank you for utilizing our Dispensary Directory.

Executive Order 2022-798, which is still in effect, grants a full, complete, and conditional pardon to any and all persons who are accused of possession of marijuana under KRS 218A.1422 if the conditions therein are satisfied. You can find the Executive Order, along with the qualifying conditions under the Executive Order, [here](#).

If you have any questions, please refer to the resources available under the Patients & Caregivers tab on the program's website, kymedcan.ky.gov.

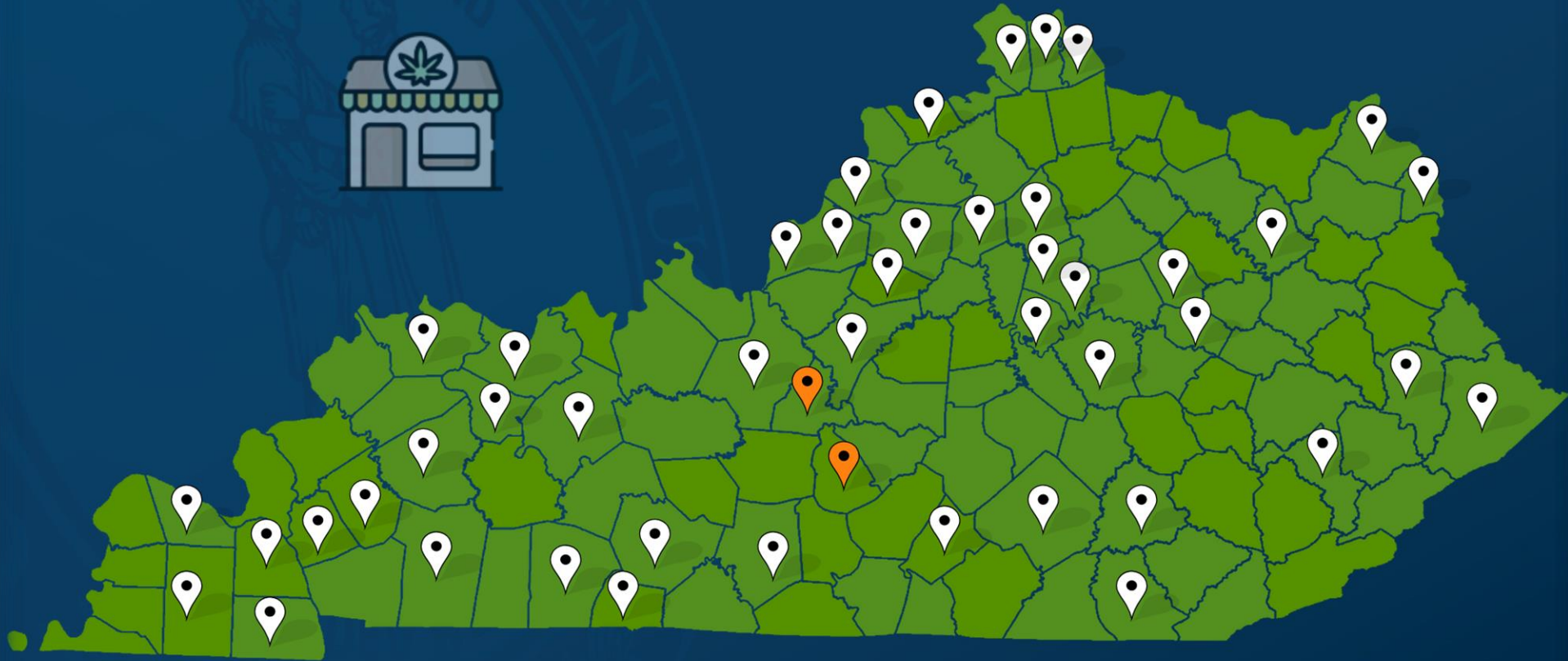
Dispensary Locations



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DISPENSARY LOCATIONS

-  Settled Location
-  Unsettled Location - Lottery Drawings



Dispensary Requirements

Licensee Requirements

Medical cannabis businesses must meet certain requirements to receive a license and legally operate in the Commonwealth.

Conflicts of Interest



Cannabis business licensees may not have any **direct or indirect ownership interest** in safety compliance facilities

Plans of Operation



Licensees must establish **standard operating procedures** to comply with all applicable regulations

Background Checks and ID Badges



Licensees must perform **criminal background checks** on any prospective agents and issue **employee ID badges**

Facility Requirements



Facilities shall meet all applicable **state and local business codes** in addition to the requirements in the regulations

Recordkeeping



Requirements for **proper organization and storing** of all relevant documentation

Facility Requirements

- Licensees must follow state guidelines and local building codes and specifications, and must also meet facility standards in the applicable licensee regulations, which include the following:
 - Pest control;
 - Lighting;
 - Parking;
 - Secure areas for loading and unloading medical cannabis; and
 - Proper signage designating all limited-access areas on the premises.

Security and Surveillance

Security and Surveillance

Medical cannabis businesses must meet certain physical security and surveillance requirements to limit access to medical cannabis products, raw plant material, and other supplies.

Surveillance and alarms



Establish professionally-monitored **surveillance and alarm systems** to prevent unauthorized access

Physical security



Implement **access restrictions** to both the facility itself and secure areas within the facility

Product Safety

Product Safety

Cannabis business licensees are required to produce, process, and sell medicinal cannabis products that meet stringent safety and quality standards.

Contamination Prevention



Prevent contamination through documented sanitizing, cleaning, storing and disposing procedures

Use of Pesticides and Chemicals



Follow state and federal rules around the use of pesticides and chemicals in cultivation, processing, and production

Allowable Product Formats



Produce medicinal cannabis products in allowable formats and prohibit consumption of raw plant material by smoking

Testing



Follow prescribed testing procedures including reporting and disposals

Recalls



Initiate voluntary and mandatory recalls based on complaints or risks to public safety

Allowable Product Formats

Medicinal cannabis may only be processed and sold in the following allowable product forms:

- Edible
- Oil
- Vaporization
- Tincture
- Dermal patch
- Suppository
- Beverage
- Raw plant material
- Topical (gel, cream, ointment, etc.)

KRS 218B prohibits the consumption of raw plant material by smoking.

Dispensary Product Displays

- A dispensary may display product examples for the purpose of product education. A sign or label must be displayed on or near the product example that clearly states: “PRODUCT EXAMPLE FOR DISPLAY PURPOSES ONLY. NOT FOR SALE OR CONSUMPTION.”
- The product example must be packaged in a secure jar protected by plastic, glass, or metal mesh screen to allow cardholders to view the product.
- The product example must be recorded in the seed-to-sale tracking system and shall be destroyed once the product is noticeably degraded.

Advertising and Patient Materials

Advertising and Patient Materials

Advertising activities are strictly regulated. Dispensaries are required to provide patients and caregivers with certain educational materials and product information.

Advertising Restrictions



Prohibited advertising practices that licensees must refrain from when retaining or obtaining new business

Labeling requirements



Rules and product guidelines that will be displayed on product labeling to protect consumers

Educational materials



Materials made available to consumers to bolster understanding of medicinal cannabis

Advertising Restrictions: Targeting Minors

Licensees are prohibited from creating and publishing advertising content that can reasonably be considered to target individuals under the age of eighteen.

Advertising that incorporates images of minors, cartoons, toys, or similar images and items typically marketed towards minors, or references to products that are commonly associated with minors or marketed by minors are strictly prohibited.

Additional precautions must also be taken to prevent minor access including:

- Informational websites or social media must conspicuously state “keep out of reach of children;” and
- Instituting measures and safeguards on websites to deter access to those under eighteen years of age.

Labeling Requirements

All medical cannabis products must be labeled in a manner that properly informs cardholders, by labels and/or QR codes, and others of the contents of the product, including:

- Strain of medical cannabis
- THC, terpenes, and CBD
- List of ingredients
- Possible allergens
- Expiration Date
- Date of packaging
- The name and license number of the cannabis businesses involved in producing the product
- Production, batch, and testing information

All medical cannabis products must display the following warning label:



Educational Materials

Medical Cannabis Advisory Pamphlet

- The Medical Cannabis Advisory Pamphlet was created in accordance with KRS 218B.140(2)(b).
- Dispensaries licensed by the Office are required by KRS 218B.110(2)(d)(1)(a) to provide cardholders with a copy of the Medical Cannabis Advisory Pamphlet upon dispensing medical cannabis to the cardholders.
- Dispensaries must retain a signature form with the cardholder's signature for a minimum of thirty-six (36) months as required by KRS 218B.140(2)(b).



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