

**THE SOCIETY OF CANNABIS CLINICIANS
PROPOSED PRACTICE STANDARDS FOR CANNABIS APPROVALS**

The initial history and good faith physical examination is face-to-face, in person, and confidential.

Documentation supports the diagnosis and decision to recommend cannabis. This includes relevant records and diagnostic studies when available, in addition to the patient's name, gender, birth date, address, phone number, date of exam, and diagnosis, either by ICD-9 code or name of qualifying diagnosis.

Treatment plan with objective includes:

- Discussion of methods of cannabis administration and effective usage of cannabis for the patient's condition(s).
- Consultations obtained when appropriate, and
- Documented need for periodic review.

Informed consent includes discussion of adverse effects, risk/benefit assessment, and medical-legal aspects of cannabis use – may be provided in educational materials and/or signed release of liability statements.

Periodic review of the treatment's efficacy: The term of recommendation is made for what is medically appropriate and in accordance with relevant state law and medical board guidelines. The timing and method of the periodic review is at the discretion of the physician.

In treating minors appropriate parental informed consent must be documented.

In accordance with federal law, the physician does not provide cannabis or aid and abet the patient in acquiring cannabis.

The physician agrees to abide by accepted standards of medical ethics.