



House Bill 1095- Minor patient access to medicinal marijuana within a school setting

INFORMATION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL OFFICIALS



SUMMARY

House Bill 1095 was signed into law, effective July 28, 2019. At the request of a parent, this act requires school districts to develop and implement policies that would allow minor patients under RCW 69.51A.220 to use marijuana for medical purposes while on school grounds. The school district is required to include protocols for verifying the student is authorized to use marijuana for medical purposes.

House Bill 1095 did not amend the law to allow school officials access to the medical marijuana authorization database to verify the validity of a patient card; rather, the school may consider a student's parent or legal guardian's valid recognition card to be proof of compliance with RCW 69.51A.220.

In response, the Washington State Department of Health created the guidance below to help school officials identify a valid medical recognition card.



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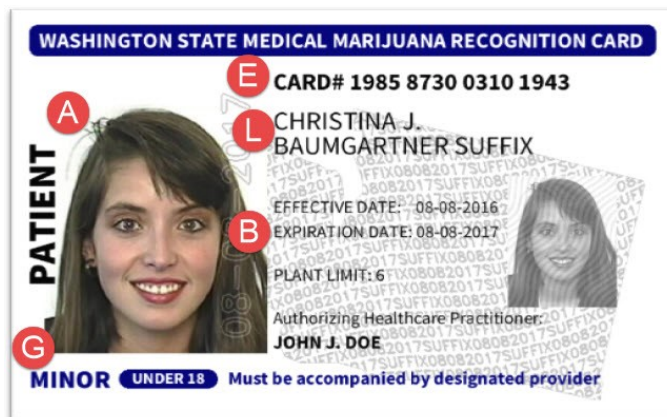
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Medical Marijuana Recognition Card Security Features

The medical marijuana recognition card has several security features that can be used to verify the validity. Carefully compare the recognition card features against the labeled information below. Secondly, compare the card photo and name with the designated provider's state-issued identification (driver license, etc.).

- A. Photo.** Each recognition card has a photo of the cardholder's face without cutting off any part of the head, hair, etc.
- B. Expiration date overlays the photo.** An translucent image of the expiration date overlays the photo.
- C. State outline.** The Washington State outline image contains last name and expiration date in a specific wave pattern.
- D. Ghost image.** A smaller semi-translucent version of the original photo image.
- E. Unique card number.** Each card is issued with a randomly system-generated 16-digit number unique to that patient and card.
- F. Matching corresponding number.** Designated provider's card contains the corresponding minor patient's unique card number.
- G. Minor card.** Wording in bottom left corner indicates this card belongs to a minor patient (under age 18)
- H. Designated Provider.** Wording on left side of card indicates this card belongs to a designated provider (parent or legal guardian)
- I. Barcodes.** Security feature containing information from the front of the card and can only be read with scanner capability.
- J. Program logo.** Additional security feature printed on the back of the card designed as an indicator of validity.
- K. Size.** The medical marijuana recognition card is laminated and the size of a standard credit card or driver license.



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