

Do you use opioids for Chronic Pain or have Opioid Use Disorder?

What is this research study about? The purpose of this research is to observe if medical marijuana (MMJ) changes the use of or craving for opioids by people who use opioids for chronic pain or have opioid use disorder (OUD).

What is involved?

- ❖ We are looking for people who are both certified and not certified to use MMJ in the State of Pennsylvania to participate in a 4-month study about their use of opioids.
- ❖ Complete baseline, daily, weekly, and monthly questionnaires and interviews (All participants). **You will receive payment for every questionnaire completed.**
- ❖ There are two groups of participants for this study:
 - Individuals who are certified for MMJ will be asked to limit their purchases of extremely reduced price MMJ to 3 different formulations of MMJ for 3 months (for one month each, using in randomly assigned order). Participants can pick one formulation to use for the 4th month.
 - Individuals who are not certified for MMJ will agree to continue to not use marijuana for 4 months.

Who can participate? You may be eligible to take part if you:

- ❖ are 18 years old or older
- ❖ are fluent in English
- ❖ have a current diagnosis of intractable, chronic pain (not neuropathic pain alone) **OR** Opioid Use Disorder (OUD)
- ❖ have used opioids for longer than 90 days at doses of ≥ 90 MME/day **OR** have been enrolled in a medication for opioid use disorder (MOUD) program for at least 30 days
- ❖ **For those using MMJ**—have completed the PA certification process, have a valid MMJ card with an initial receipt within 30 days, and are willing to accept restrictions on their certification to purchase only 3 cannabis products and formulations through Ethos Cannabis dispensary for 4 months.
- ❖ **For non-MMJ users**—confirm that you are not currently certified for PA MMJ program and will complete urine drug screen for marijuana

Where will the study take place? Ethos Cannabis Dispensary. 807 Locust St, Philadelphia, PA.

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