# **The California Medical Marijuana Patients**

The California Medical Marijuana Patients program was established in 1996 with the passage of Proposition 215, also known as the Compassionate Use Act. This law allows patients with certain medical conditions to use marijuana for medicinal purposes. The program has been controversial since its inception, but it has also been a major source of revenue for the state of California.



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## **History of the Program**

The California Medical Marijuana Patients program was the first of its kind in the United States. It was passed in response to the growing number of people who were using marijuana to treat medical conditions such as chronic pain, nausea, and anxiety. The law allows patients to use marijuana with a doctor's recommendation. Patients can also grow their own marijuana or purchase it from dispensaries.

The program has been expanded several times since its inception. In 2003, Proposition 215 was amended to allow patients to use marijuana for any medical condition. In 2016, Proposition 64 was passed, which legalized recreational marijuana in California. However, Proposition 64 did not change the requirements for medical marijuana patients.

#### **Regulations**

The California Medical Marijuana Patients program is regulated by the state Department of Public Health. The department issues identification cards to patients who meet the program's requirements. Patients must be at least 18 years old and have a doctor's recommendation for marijuana use. Patients can grow up to six plants for personal use, or they can purchase marijuana from dispensaries.

Dispensaries are required to be licensed by the state. They must meet certain security and safety requirements. Dispensaries can sell marijuana to patients with a valid medical marijuana identification card.

#### **Impact of the Program**

The California Medical Marijuana Patients program has had a significant impact on the state. The program has generated billions of dollars in revenue for the state. It has also led to the creation of a new industry, with thousands of jobs created in the cultivation, distribution, and sale of marijuana.

The program has also had a positive impact on the health of many Californians. Marijuana has been shown to be effective in treating a variety of medical conditions, including chronic pain, nausea, and anxiety. The

program has also helped to reduce the stigma associated with marijuana use.

The California Medical Marijuana Patients program has been a success. The program has provided relief to thousands of patients and has generated billions of dollars in revenue for the state. The program is a model for other states that are considering legalizing medical marijuana.



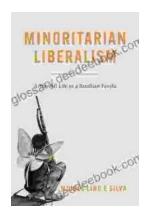
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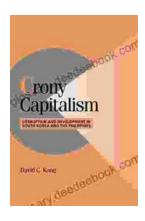
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