



TOP 10 POINTS TO REMEMBER

Module 5 – Dispensary Specific

1. Know what documents you need to have in order to register with the program:
 - a. State issued ID
 - b. Proof of residency
 - c. Proof of eligibility for discount
2. Know the steps on how to register in the program.
3. ATC's are required by law to track and check the patient's allotment in the NJ MMP Registry before dispensing medical cannabis. Dispensary workflow should involve multiple checkpoints to verify IDs and to highlight age-restricted products like vape cartridges (21+).
4. No patient may purchase over their monthly allotment; each patient has their own specific allotment, which shall not exceed 3 ounces per month (except terminally ill patients have no maximum allotment).
5. Dispensary attendants can:
 - a. Provide information about how products have affected other patients with that qualifying condition.
 - b. Explain the different types of products and methods of administration to meet that particular patient's need.
 - c. Talk about potential adverse effects.
 - d. Dispensary attendants are required to defer any medical/clinical questions about the patient's treatment, therapy, or drug regimen to the patient's provider.
6. Abiding by HIPAA (patient privacy laws) is best practice and should be taken into account.
7. For patients new to cannabis or concerned with the psychoactive effects of THC, recommending products with higher CBD:THC ratios is recommended.
8. Medical cannabis cannot be advertised to cure, treat, or prevent any medical conditions. There is strong clinical research supporting its use in symptomatic relief of pain, nausea/vomiting, and muscle spasms along with a variety of other symptoms.
9. Dosage form and route of administration have a significant impact on the patient experience. Inhaled products have the quickest onset and shortest duration of action while ingested forms have a delayed onset and longest duration of action.

10. Each patient should be assessed for specifics like age, qualifying conditions, symptoms, and prior cannabis experience. Combine these measures with product-specific details to create an individualized approach.