Dear MAMA Patients,

We have been working hard to understand the new OMMP rules. Though the laws are there, the rules may not all have been developed or published yet. The OMMP website is being updated and we recommend that you check the site periodically.

We’ve verified the following information with the Program. Even though the Rules of the Program allow certain things, it is smart to check your local laws regarding medical marijuana. Here are a few things about which we are clear.

1. Patients need to use the New Application form posted on the OMMP website. 
2. One garden, with two resident patients, who are their own grower, may have 12 plants total, without having to track, report or allow inspections. However, if they plan on selling to a dispensary, they will have to pay a fee, track & report and allow inspections. Oregon Health Authority (OHA) is tasked with conducting inspections. It may be that inspections are complaint driven. Any garden with more than 2 patients, even if they are residents and their own grower, will be over the 12 plant limit and it would require tracking, reporting and allowing inspections.
3. The only growers that don’t have to track, report or allow inspections, are those growing for themselves at their own residence. Any grower, growing for anyone other than themselves, has to track, report or allow inspections.
4. Since April 1st, 2016, the patient doesn’t pay, the grower pays a $200 fee per patient. Growers can now pay on-line.
5. There will not be a fee for patients to remove a grower/grow site (only to designate or change a grower/grow site).
6. Generally if the patient changes his/her caregiver, grower or grow site on his/her current card, there would be a replacement card fee. HOWEVER New temporary rules allow the waiver of the $100 replacement card fee until July 1, 2016, if the reason for the replacement card is that the patient is designating a new Grower or new Grow Site address.

7. A caregiver must be 18 or older, but a grower must be 21 or older.

8. As of March 1st, 2016 anyone, who has served in the “Armed Forces of the United States,” is entitled to the reduced application fee of $20.

9. Patients may possess 6 mature plants and 24 ounces. There is no longer a limit on immature (non-flowering) plants (or starts and seedlings), regardless of their size.

10. In addition to a caregiver, the applicant may also designate an organization that provides hospice, palliative or home health care services, or a residential facility as defined in ORS 443.400, under ORS 475B.419, as an additional caregiver.” This means they can list a caregiver (say their wife) AND they can name the care facility.

11. Patients with “duel residency” may submit ID from another state and a copy of a utility bill with the patient’s name on it, at an Oregon address.

12. If you are asked for “Proof of Zoning”, contact your local Land Use Planning agency.

For any other unanswered questions, please contact the OMMP Monday – Friday 971-673-1234 10 am to 4 pm

OMMP WEBSITE
http://public.health.oregon.gov/DiseasesConditions/ChronicDisease/medicalmarijuanaprogram/Pages/index.aspx

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