

E-mail subject line: MEDICAL MARIJUANA EDUCATION FOR JEFFERSON CLINICIANS

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Subj: Availability of accredited educational courses and discounts for Jefferson clinicians

Colleagues:

We are pleased to announce that Jefferson's Lambert Center has received approval from the Pennsylvania Department of Health for its CE-accredited four-hour educational courses in the use of medical marijuana (MMJ) as therapy.

This course is appropriate for ALL clinicians in Pennsylvania—even those of you who don't plan to participate in the PA MMJ program. Dispensaries will be opening in PA in 2018; your patients may be treated with cannabinoids by other clinicians. As most of us did not learn about cannabinoids as therapy during our training, all clinicians need at least a basic understanding of the endocannabinoid system and the evidence base that has been developed so far to support safe use of medicinal cannabis therapy.

Completion of an approved, CE-accredited 4-hour course\* is required by the PA Department of Health for the following:

- For physicians, completion of the ACCME-accredited program allows certification to recommend MMJ therapy for patients in PA, and, if desired, to work in a PA dispensary.
- For physician's assistants, completion of the ACCME-accredited program allows certification to work in a PA dispensary.
- For nurse practitioners, completion of the CNE-accredited program allows certification to work in a PA dispensary.
- For pharmacists, completion of the ACPE-accredited program allows certification to work in a PA dispensary.

The discipline-specific courses are offered entirely on-line and can be completed at your own pace. Jefferson is the only approved provider of education for all clinical disciplines in PA. We want Jefferson to be recognized as a leader in the safe and informed use of MMJ therapy once PA dispensaries open in 2018, and to that end, we are pleased to offer a 15% discounted tuition (25% discount for students and residents) to all Jefferson clinicians and trainees.

To take the course appropriate for you, go to <https://www.lambert-medicalcannabis-edu.com/> and follow the link to register for **Medicinal Cannabis: Education for Health Care Providers**. At the time of payment, you will be asked for a discount code. The codes you need to use are as follows:

- For physicians, enter jeffd0c (that's a zero!)
- For PAs, enter jEFfPA!
- For nurses and nurse practitioners, enter jeffRn!
- For pharmacists, enter jeffpHaRm
- For researchers and other ancillary health personnel, enter jeffAnciLLary
- Students and residents receive steeper discounts by entering jeffTrAlnee

This discount opportunity expires 11/30/2017, so please take advantage of it soon. If you have any problems registering, or if you are a Jefferson Health employee not covered by one of these codes, please contact Judy Spahr, Administrative Director of The Lambert Center, at [Judith.spahr@jefferson.edu](mailto:Judith.spahr@jefferson.edu).

The Lambert Center is the nation's only university-based comprehensive academic resource for education, research, and practice with cannabinoids as therapy. While the Center has a global presence, we are invested in the success of the PA MMJ program. Please take advantage of the ready availability of these courses, and visit the Center's website ([www.jefferson.edu/lambertcenter](http://www.jefferson.edu/lambertcenter)) often to see updates on new educational programs and research updates.

#### Accreditation information:

##### Physicians

Sidney Kimmel Medical College at Thomas Jefferson University is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Sidney Kimmel Medical College at Thomas Jefferson University designates this enduring material activity for a maximum of 4 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

##### Nurses

Thomas Jefferson University Hospital is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by the Pennsylvania State Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. RN participants who successfully complete this activity will be awarded maximum 4 contact hours.

##### Pharmacists



The Jefferson College of Population Health is accredited by the Accreditation Council on Pharmacy Education as a provider of continuing pharmacy education.

This knowledge based program (0079-9999-17-027-H01-P) is acceptable for 4.0 hours of continuing pharmacy education credit. Statements of Credit indicating hours/CEUs will be uploaded to CPE Monitor within 60 days following program for participants who complete this activity and submit required participant information, including evaluation, pre/post test, NABP # and DOB.