



Medical Marijuana Advisory Board Meeting

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

MMAB Agenda

- I. Call meeting to order, announcements and roll call
- II. Approval of the previous meeting's minutes – January 24, 2024
- III. Program Update
- IV. Old Business
 - a. Board assignments, updates and requested agenda topics:
 - i. Subcommittee updates:
 - Medical Review – Dr. Geith Shahoud, Subcommittee Chair
 - Discussion of SMC Application for CH 20 Research Applications (rec'd 8/2023 & 1/2024)
 - Patient and Caregiver – Diana Briggs, Subcommittee Chair
 - Regulatory Review – Christine Roussel, Pharm.D., R.Ph., Subcommittee Chair
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 - Discussion of Organic Remedies' presentation regarding the findings of the research initiative
- V. New Business
- VI. Additional Discussion/Q&A
- VII. Adjournment

Medical Marijuana Program Update

Program

Medical Marijuana Program Updates

- Office of Medical Marijuana is now a Bureau
- Medical Marijuana and Potential Adult Use Legislation
- Act 63 of 2023 Application Timeline
- Aggregated Data Web Page Addition
- Medical Marijuana Assistance Program Update
- Program Metrics

Act 63 of 2023 Application Timeline

- Final Act 63 application forms will be published on 4/12/24.
- Applications can be submitted between 5/12/24 and 6/11/24 by current PA MM permit holders who qualify as per Act 63.
- Awards will be made in the fall of 2024.
- A second window for Act 63 application submittal is planned for early 2025 and every 9 months thereafter as necessary.
- Act 63 also allows for additional ACRC applications; an updated application form will be available this Spring.

Currently Underserved Counties

13 counties deemed underserved

- Adams
- Beaver
- Bedford
- Bradford
- Clinton
- Fayette
- Juniata
- Northumberland
- Pike
- Schuylkill
- Tioga
- Venango
- Warren

Why were these counties selected?

- Average distance traveled per order (with minimum volume of orders)
- Current population or certification density per dispensary

Note that the criteria and results change often as the market matures, more dispensaries open, certifications change, etc.

2023 SMC Occurrences on Certifications

Name	Occ.	Name	Occ.
Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis	112	Neuropathies	14,426
Autism	2,514	Parkinson's Disease	913
Cancer, including remission therapy	14,703	Post-traumatic Stress Disorder	49,442
Crohn's Disease	3,275	Severe chronic or intractable pain of neuropathic origin or severe chronic or intractable pain	164,711
Damage to the nervous tissue of the central nervous system (brain-spinal cord) with objective neurological indication of intractable spasticity, and other associated neuropathies	2,293	Sickle Cell Anemia	147
Epilepsy	3,704	Neurodegenerative diseases	965
Glaucoma	2,490	Terminal illness	233
Positive status for Human Immunodeficiency Virus or Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome	1,832	Dyskinetic and spastic movement disorders	874
Huntington's Disease	47	Opioid use disorder for which conventional therapeutic interventions are contraindicated or ineffective, or for which adjunctive therapy is indicated in combination with primary therapeutic interventions	11,855
Inflammatory Bowel Disease	5,551	Anxiety Disorders	289,317
Intractable Seizures	801	Tourette Syndrome	582
Multiple Sclerosis	3,213	Chronic Hepatitis C	80

▶ MMAP Update as of Feb 2024

Phase 1: Eliminated annual card fees for eligible participants who attested to being registered in an existing Commonwealth financial hardship program.

- Since March 1, 2022, MMAP Phase 1 has saved eligible patients and caregivers more than \$11.5 million by eliminating the annual fee/card costs for nearly 160,000 participants.

Phase 2: Eliminated all background check fees for caregivers.

- Since March 1, 2022, MMAP Phase 2 has saved nearly 6,600 new caregivers approximately \$143,000 by eliminating the cost of their background check.

Phase 3: Distributes a \$50 benefit per month per eligible patient. Phase 3 was launched in the form of a pilot in November of 2022 for patients enrolled in PACE and PACENET.

- Since November 2022, MMAP Phase 3 has distributed almost \$450,000 to patients participating in PACE to assist with the costs of medication at the point of sale.

Program Metrics as of 3/1/2024

440,949 Active Patient
Certifications

1,929 Approved
Practitioners

9,203 Active Carded
Caregivers

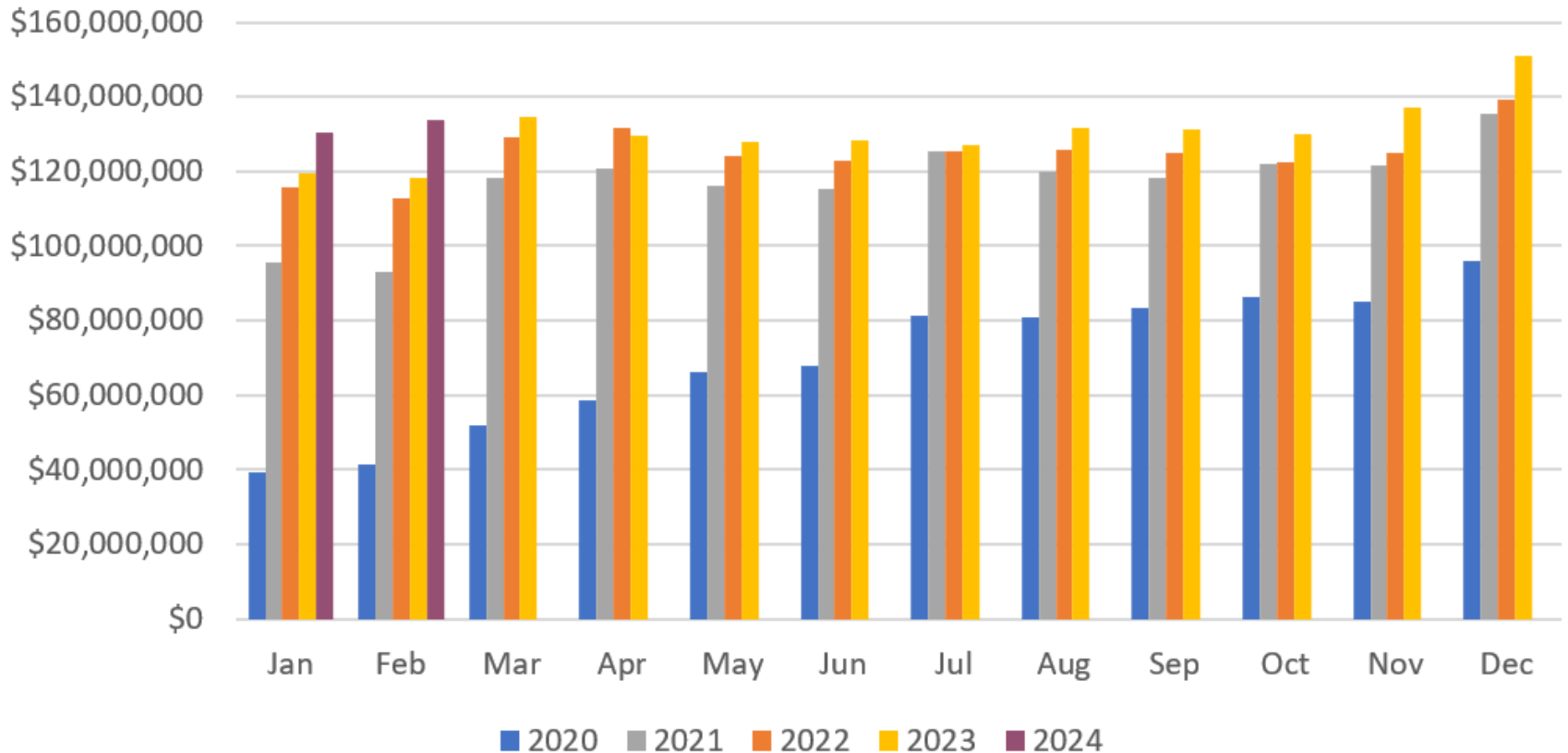
180 Operational
Dispensaries

\$470,087 MMAP Phase 3
Financial Benefit Given

33 Operational
Grower/Processors

Medical Marijuana Program Update

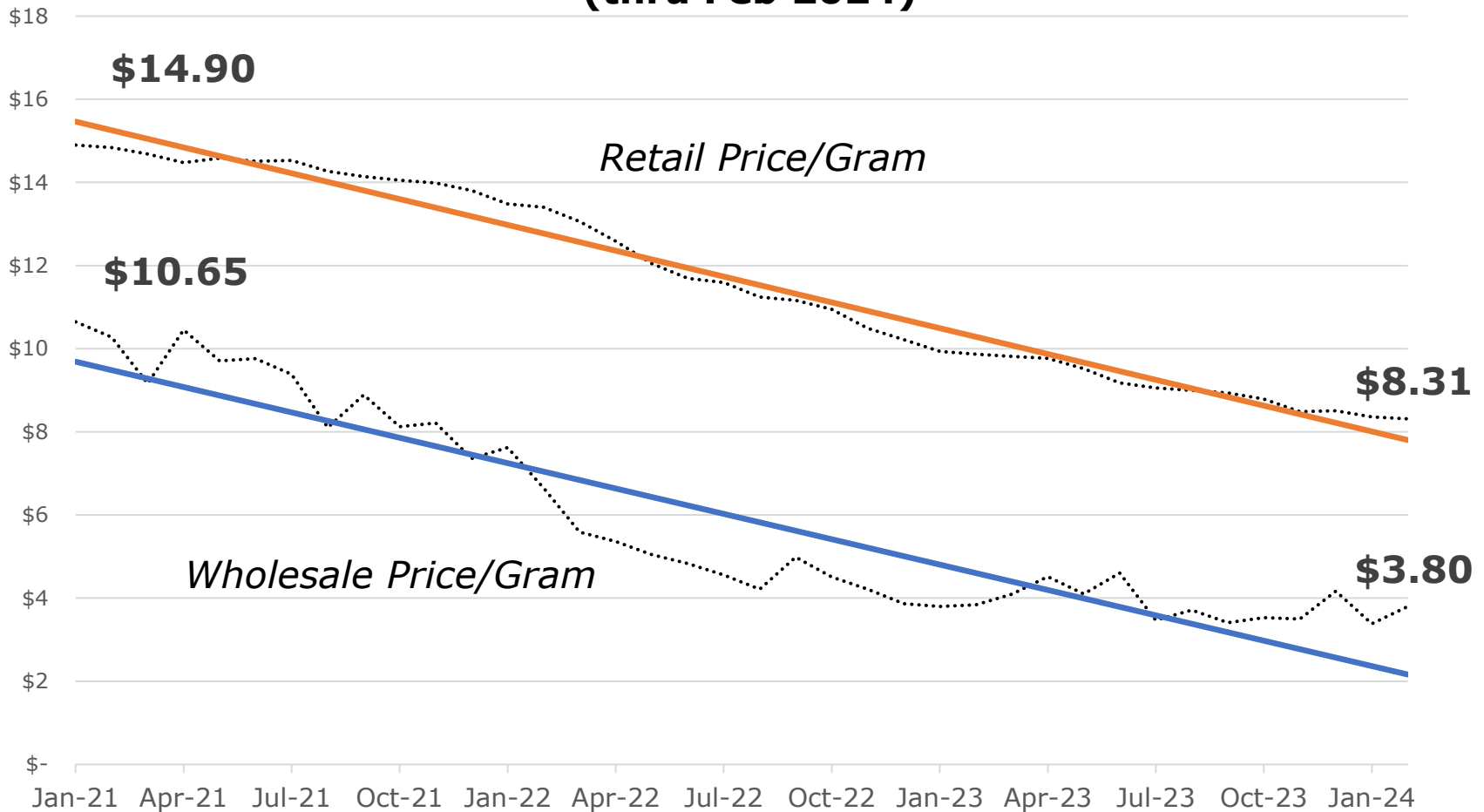
Dispensary Sales by Month Since Jan 2020



\$5.8 Billion Sales Program-to-Date

Medical Marijuana Program Update

Dry Leaf Retail and Wholesale Pricing Details (thru Feb 2024)



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▶ Additional Discussion/Q&A

- Other topics for discussion?

Adjourment

- Next Meeting is **May 22, 2024**
- 2024 Dates:
 - ~~January 24~~
 - ~~March 20~~
 - May 22
 - July 24
 - September 18
 - November 13