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# POSITION STATEMENT
# MONTANA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
# ON
# MEDICAL MARIJUANA

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Evidence suggests that the use of marijuana has beneficial effects in the treatment of certain intractable medical conditions. Further evidence has also shown significant risks and side effects related to such use. To the extent the law permits use of marijuana for medical indications, marijuana should be used only with proper indication in a safe and effective way.

Like any other plant derivative used in medicine, marijuana, in whatever form, should be subject to the same regulatory scrutiny as any other psychoactive drug with the potential for abuse. More research regarding the safety, dosage, and effectiveness of this treatment is needed. Marijuana is an unregulated product of uncertain quality, quantity, and potency. Marijuana should be regulated in the same manner as other psychoactive medications.

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