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**State of Hawai‘i – Department of Health**  
**Office of Medical Cannabis Control and Regulation**

**Guidance for Patients and Caregivers:**  
**Caregiver Updates**

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**Overview**

As of January 1, 2025, primary caregivers were no longer authorized to cultivate cannabis for their registered patients. Recently legislation, [Act 46, Session Laws Hawaii \(SLH\) 2025](#) has removed this sunset provision, restoring caregivers’ ability to cultivate medical cannabis for their registered patient(s). Additionally, the change now allows a primary caregiver to be registered to care for up to five qualifying patients at a time, an increase from the previous limit of one patient.

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**Primary Caregiver Registration Requirements**

- All primary caregivers must register with the Department of Health.
  - Each primary caregiver may be registered with **no more than five qualifying patients** at any given time.
  - A minor patient may register **up to two primary caregivers**, provided both caregivers are the parent, guardian, or legal custodian of that minor.
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**Authorized Sources of Medical Cannabis**

- Qualifying patients may obtain medical cannabis or manufactured cannabis products only through the following means:
  - From a licensed dispensary pursuant to [Hawaii Revised Statutes \(HRS\), 329D](#)
  - By growing cannabis personally, within limits set to provide an adequate supply per section [HRS 329-122](#).
  - From a registered primary caregiver who grows cannabis on behalf of their qualifying patient(s).

## Limitations on Grow Site Locations

- No single location shall be permitted to have **more than five grow sites** registered to it.
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## References

- [Act 046, SLH 2025](#)
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For more information, visit: [Medical Cannabis Registry Program | Growing Cannabis](#)

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Note: This guidance is intended for informational purposes and does not replace legal or other regulatory advice. Providers are responsible for ensuring compliance with all applicable laws and professional standards.

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