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MEDCAN – Medical Cannabis Association Switzerland

MEDCAN advocates for the interests of patients in Switzerland who take cannabis as a medicine and provides information about the use and effects of the medicinal plant.

For easy and legal use

Cannabis was used as a medicinal plant in Switzerland for centuries before its use was banned in 1951. Thus, thousands of patients are not only deprived of the healing effects of the plant. They are even criminalized when using it: The Federal Office of Public Health (FOPH) estimates that more than 100 000 patients in Switzerland have to use cannabis illegally. We want to change this with our work.

Openly stand up for a change of values

Due to the current situation regarding cannabis use in Switzerland, many users are still forced to self-medicate privately and in secret. This is understandable, but does not contribute to a change in values and laws. For this reason, MEDCAN networks affected people from all walks of life in order to make their voices heard in politics and society.

Facilitating access to cannabis

MEDCAN pursues the goal that patients in Switzerland have legal access to cannabis without great bureaucratic effort and can use it medically in tested quality and at reasonable prices.

Inform and promote exchange

MEDCAN organises patient meetings in various Swiss cities and online: We provide information about the effects and use of cannabis and give patients the opportunity to exchange information with other people affected.

Networking and making visible

MEDCAN advocates for people who use cannabis as a medicine. We give them a face, tell their stories and encourage them to become visible as a group.

Advancing politically

MEDCAN is also involved at the political level. We advocate for sensible cannabis regulation and demand that cannabis for medical use be paid for by health insurance.

Support our work – become a member!

Do you use cannabis medicinally or do you support our cause? Then become a member: The more people we unite, the more likely our collective voice will be heard.

MEDCAN has represented the interests of cannabis patients in Switzerland in recent years. This important work is very much appreciated. However, the professional appearance of the association makes us forget that the tireless fighters are sick themselves and put all their energy and time into the activist work. Our resources are limited. With your membership you support our important educational work and strengthen our position.

The new narcotics law is a step in the right direction. However, it makes us remain vigilant. Now people want to earn money with cannabis patients. It is therefore all the more important that they are not forgotten and that their objections are heard. This is the task of MEDCAN. Our work is not done until every patient who wants to use cannabis medically gets it in the right form and can pay for it.

The advantages of membership

MEDCAN informs you regularly about the situation and the possibilities in Switzerland and invites you to the patient meetings. Exchange information with other affected and interested people and learn from MEDCAN members the latest news about the medical use of cannabis. Together, we advocate for the rights of cannabis patients.

The benefits of company membership

For companies, associations and organisations that support our cause, we offer a company membership. As a thank you, we list the company name under the heading Patient Supporters on our website. We are also happy to provide our flyers and other information material. With your support you help those affected and give them a common voice.

Private individual

Annual membership for students, pensioners, IV, social welfare recipients

Fr. 25.–

Private individual

Annual membership for working adults

Fr. 50.-

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Fr. 100.—

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from **Fr. 200.**—