

CDA Clinics was founded to assist doctors and patients in navigating the complex approval process and sourcing of medical cannabis. Our experienced team of doctors and nurses can assist patients with access to medical cannabis treatment Australia-wide and support doctors with education and training through BHC's online platform, CanView ([canview.com.au](http://canview.com.au)).

Any registered medical practitioner can access unapproved medical cannabis products for the treatment of appropriate patients (outside of clinical trials) via the Special Access Scheme (SAS) or Authorised Prescriber (AP) Scheme. However, many doctors have not completed the necessary education to confidently prescribe and therefore refer to CDA Clinics.

To date, the TGA has approved SAS applications including, but not limited to:

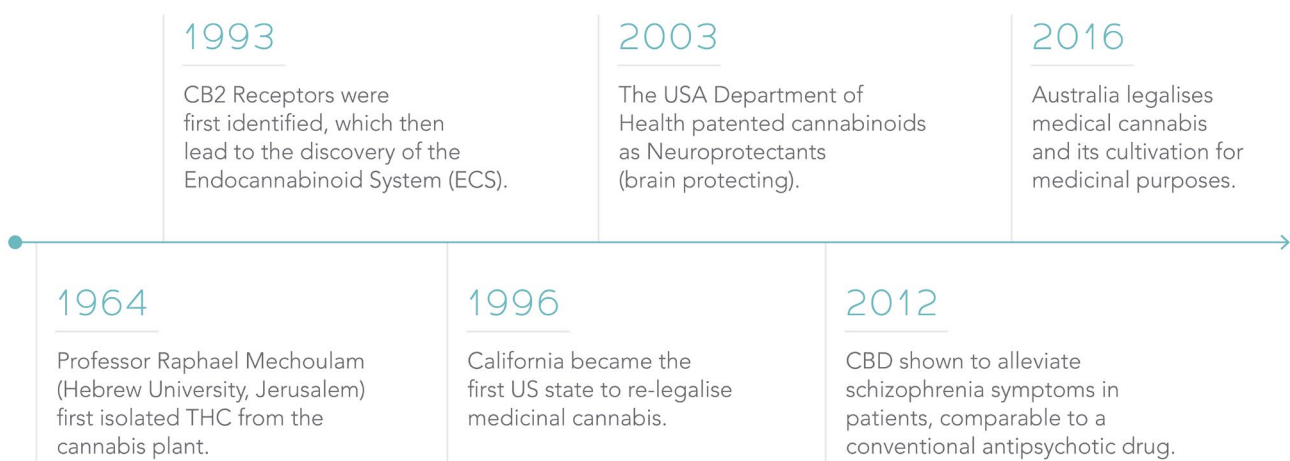
- Chronic pain
- Cancer pain / symptoms
- Insomnia
- Mental health disorders
- Inflammatory disorders
- Chemotherapy-induced nausea and vomiting

## Why does CDA Clinics need a referral?

Referrals are best practice and are important for our team to understand your patient's medical cannabis needs and to look for P450 metabolised medications that can be affected by cannabinoids. To ensure duty of care is undertaken, our team must receive a **Referral and Health Summary** to consult with your patient.

Please send your referrals to [info@cdaclinics.com.au](mailto:info@cdaclinics.com.au) or fax to 02 916 77 191. Alternatively, you can use our online referral form at [cdaclinics.com.au/referrals](http://cdaclinics.com.au/referrals).

## The history of cannabis



# What happens when you refer your patient to CDA Clinics?

## Documentation

To ensure diagnoses, appropriate treatment, and informed consent, the following forms are required to be sent to CDA Clinics. In addition to this, the patient must have registered on the CDA website so we can create a patient profile.



### Referral

This can either be a CDA referral or a referral on your own clinic letterhead marked attention to CDA Clinics.



### Health Summary

Please ensure the Health Summary contains:

- Patient contact details
- Current medications and treatments
- Previous medications
- Active past history



### Consent Form

The patient will receive a CDA Consent Form via email in the information pack. This can also be accessed on our website. This document is also required for our team to consult with the patient.

## Booking in a consultation

Once we've received and checked the required paperwork, the patient will receive an email from the CDA team to contact us to arrange a booking via Telehealth. Alternatively, we can be contacted on 1300 232 362 to book a consultation.

## Visit our Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) on our website

There is a lot of information to take in during the consultation. Therefore, we advise all patients to visit the FAQ section on our website to read through commonly asked questions.

## After the consultation

Your patient will consult with one of our CDA Clinics clinicians and discuss plant medicine as a treatment option. Following the consult, your patient will receive an SMS link to their E-Script via the CanView Patient App. Once approval is received from the TGA, the E-Scripts 'pending' status will be removed. Through the app, your patient can order their medication directly from their chosen pharmacy and call to organise payment and delivery.

## Correspondence

After the initial consultation and six-week follow up, the Clinical Care Team will fax a letter to your medical clinic.

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As we receive a high volume of Referrals and Health Summaries each day, we advise all patients to register on our website at [cdaclinics.com.au](http://cdaclinics.com.au) prior to booking. To book a consult, contact our friendly Patient Care Team on 1300 232 362. Please visit our Frequently Asked Questions on our website for further information.