

## What is glaucoma?

## Is it legal to treat glaucoma with marijuana or CBD?

A close-up photograph of a woman with curly hair undergoing an eye examination. She is looking into a phoropter, a device used by optometrists to measure a patient's refractive error. The device is white and black, with various lenses and a large eyepiece. The woman's face is partially visible, showing her eyes and nose. The background is blurred, focusing attention on the examination process.

Legend:

- Legal recreational & medical use
- Medical use only
- Not legal

## If marijuana lowers eye pressure, why is it not a widely accepted treatment?

## What can I do for treatment and where should I get information?

Be sure to discuss treatment options with your ophthalmologist. Current medical evidence does not support the use of marijuana to treat glaucoma. In the future there may be a role for medical marijuana in glaucoma treatment, but not at this time. The American Academy of Ophthalmology ([www.aao.org](http://www.aao.org)) and the American Glaucoma Society ([www.americanglaucomasociety.net](http://www.americanglaucomasociety.net)) are sources for more patient information.