

Lists of Arkansas medical professionals publicly for and against medical marijuana

The Arkansas Democrat-Gazette obtained the following list and statement released Thursday, Nov. 1, 2012, by Arkansans for Compassionate Care. According to Arkansans for Compassionate Care, these 79 medical professionals signed statements of support for Issue 5 containing the following language:

Arkansas Doctors Who Support Issue #5, the Arkansas Medical Marijuana Act

Licensed medical practitioners should not be punished for recommending the medical use of marijuana to seriously ill people, and seriously ill people should not be subject to criminal sanctions for using marijuana if the patients' medical professionals have told them that such use is likely to be beneficial.

Gordon Akin, Internal I Paragould

Michael Anreder, Pathology I El Dorado

Susan Balke I Mariana

Norma Basinger, GYN/Phlebology I Fort Smith

Stuart Benson, Internal I Bentonville

Douglas Bernard, Family Med I Batesville

Lawrence Bigongiari, Diagnostic Radiology I Hope

Jesse Bradley, Podiatry I West Memphis

Ronald Brimberry, Family Med I Springdale

John Butler Chiropractic I Magnolia

Debra Callahan, Chiropractic I Jonesboro

William Carbary, Chiropractic I Little Rock

Ian Cawich, Cardiology I Little Rock

Ira Chatman, Pain Management I Mountain Home

Charley Chu, Optometry | West Helena
Joe Colclasure, | Little Rock
Chet Crawford, Family Med | Fayetteville
David Crittenden, Nephrology | Fayetteville
James Croom, Internal | Mountain Home
Deborah Dawes, Psychology | Berryville
Craig Dinger, Family Practice | Eureka Springs
Van Dunn, Optometry | Dumas
William Frederick, Ophthalmology | Helena
Deanna Garretson, Chiropractic | Mountain Home
Phillip Garretson, Chiropractic | Mountain Home
John Giblin, pediatrics/research | Little Rock
William Goodin, Psychiatry | Batesville
Jerry Grant, Family Med | EIDorado
Janice Gunnels, Internal | Hot Springs
Latrisha Hall, Family Med | Pine Bluff
Phillip Hardin, Dermatology | Mountain Home
Abeer Hashmi, Family Med | Maumelle
Salman Hashmi, Family Med | Maumelle
Hugh Higginbotham, Internal | Fayetteville
Stephanie Ho, Family Practice | Ft. Smith
Roland Hollis, Family Med | Paragould
Robert Hurst, Optometry | Bentonville
James Jaros, Optometry | North Little Rock
Anna Kahn, D.C. | Harrison
Shaun Kahn, D.C. | Harrison
Qaisar Kahn, Cardiology | Batesville
Manuel Kelley, Family Med | Pine Bluff
Andrew Koehler, Pediatrics | Fayetteville

Pattie Kymer, Anesthesiology | Little Rock
Mark Lazenby, Chiropractic | Blytheville
John Lee, ENT | Rogers
Mathew Margolis, Ophthalmology | Jonesboro
Stephen Marks, OB-GYN | North Little Rock
Adriane Martin, General Surgery | Hot Springs
James Martin, Family Med | Omaha
Hosea McAdoo, Radiology | Sherwood
Theresa McCallie, General Surgery | Magnolia
Samuel Merideth, Ortho Surgeon | West Memphis
Liv Miller, Neuropsychology | North Little Rock
Joseph Mizelle, Psychiatry | Hot Springs Village
Shirolyn Moffett, Women's Health | Harrison
Earl Montgomery, Gynecology | Jonesboro
Donald Patrick, Thoracic & Vascular surgeon | Searcy
Marvin Poole, OB-GYN | Mount Ida
Maria Porter, Pathology | Little Rock
Venkata Prayaga, Cardiology | Russellville
Brian Reilly, Chiropractic | Hot Springs
Cara Riley, Internal | Bentonville
Sarah Rowden, Chiropractic | Rogers
Barbara Sandefur, Radiology | Little Rock
Franklin Selman, Eye Care | Magnolia
Mary Shaver, Nephrology | Conway
Marvin Singleton, ENT | Fayetteville
Jason Smith, ENT | North Little Rock
Janet Stannard, Psychiatry | Conway
Scott Stern Oncology, | Little Rock
Stacy Tait, Anesthesiology | Fort Smith

Sue Ulmer, Internal I Little Rock
Srini Vasan, Oncology I El Dorado
Mary Wagner, Psychiatry I Paragould
Carlotta Wells, Podiatry I Magnolia
Travis Wyly, Chiropractic I England
Thomas York, Chiropractic I Morrilton
Thomas Youngblood, Pediatrics I Bentonville

Source: Arkansans for Compassionate Care

Additionally, at the Democrat-Gazette's request, Family Council Action Committee Communications Director Josh Mesker provided on Thursday, Nov. 1, 2012, the following tentative list of the Physician Coalition Against Medical Marijuana. The individuals on this list appeared at a press conference on Oct. 24 to express opposition to Issue 5. "There are certainly others, but (the Family Council Action Committee) cannot confirm names at this time," Mesker said in an email.

David Smith, Palliative Care Physician, Little Rock
William Benton, Neonatologist, Little Rock
Jim Bledsoe, General Surgeon, Rogers
Eugene Smith, Cardiologist, Little Rock
David Gillam, Orthopedic Surgeon, Little Rock
Bob Overacre, Anesthesiologist, Little Rock
Wendell Pahls, Emergency Physician, Little Rock
John Stuckey, Optometrist, Little Rock
Brian Hughes, Gastroenterologist, Little Rock
Ron Hardin, Gastroenterologist, Little Rock
Elton Cleveland, Family Practitioner, Little Rock

Source: Family Council Action Committee