



CBD AND THE DIFFERENCE OF FDA APPROVAL

You may be wondering why approval from the Food & Drug Administration (FDA) matters when it comes to cannabidiol (CBD). Only FDA-approved CBD products are evaluated for safety and effectiveness. These products are regulated to ensure consistency and quality so that you and your doctor know you'll get the same product every time.



FDA-APPROVED CBD MEDICINES

Must meet FDA standards for quality and stability; tested to ensure consistent concentrations of CBD in every batch.

Made under strict requirements that ensure the product is always the same, has a stable shelf life, and is free of pollutants.

Yes, FDA-approved CBD is legal in all 50 states and available with a prescription.

FDA-approved CBD is eligible for insurance coverage because its safety and effectiveness have been tested by the FDA.

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NON-FDA APPROVED CBD PRODUCTS

Subject to inconsistent regulation at the state level. There are no federal standards to ensure accuracy or batch-to-batch consistency.

Depending on the state where the CBD is made, testing standards for pollutants, stability, and safety differ. There is no federal oversight to ensure the public's safety.

Although the 2018 Farm Bill legalized CBD products that had less than 0.3% THC, these products still cannot be added to supplements or food products—nor can they be used as medicine. So no, they are still not federally legal to use for medical purposes.

Insurance coverage is rare.

HOW'S QUALITY MEASURED?

HOW'S IT MADE?

IS IT LEGAL?

WILL INSURANCE COVER IT?