

## Cannabis for Chronic Pain: Surveillance – July 2023

### Objective and Search Period

This document is based on the 2023 update of a living systematic evidence report, *Living Systematic Review on Cannabis and Other Plant-Based Treatments for Chronic Pain*, by the Evidence-based Practice Center Program at the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ).<sup>1</sup>

The review authors sought to identify new eligible controlled clinical trials and observational studies with comparator groups examining the treatment of chronic pain with cannabis. The search was updated from **Late April 2023 through Early July 2023**.

### Surveillance Update

The review authors found no new eligible controlled trials during the surveillance period. They did identify an additional observational study which is outside the scope of this report.

See the [updated report](#) for more details.

### References

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