BOCOR Case for Bud: Equitable Global Access to Medical THC

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Abstract



Access to medical cannabis, particularly THC, remains unequal. We propose a strategy combining:

- ▶ International telehealth
- Digitally valid prescriptions
- Legal postal delivery systems

This model respects both international and domestic regulations while improving patient access.

Problem Statement



- Many patients lack safe, legal access to THC.
- Unregulated sources pose safety and legal risks.
- ► Some countries allow:
 - ▶ Medical cannabis export
 - International telehealth
- An opportunity exists to link these systems.

Regulatory Landscape



Export-Friendly Countries:

- Canada
- Germany
- ▶ Netherlands

Telemedicine Frameworks:

▶ International prescriptions allowed if compliant

Postal Systems:

- Licensed couriers can ship medical THC legally
- Requires compliance with customs and controlled substances laws

Solution Framework



Step 1: Source Country

- ► Legal cultivation
- ► Telehealth infrastructure
- Export permits

Step 2: Telehealth Platform

- ► GDPR/HIPAA compliant
- Licensed physicians issue digital prescriptions

Solution Framework (cont.)



Step 3: Licensed Shipping

- Partner with licensed pharmacy
- ► Fill and package per IATA/INCB guidelines
- Ship with legal couriers

Step 4: Destination Interface

- ▶ Personal import exemptions (where legal)
- Otherwise, legal petitioning may be needed

Legal and Ethical Considerations



- ▶ Full legality in the source country is essential
- Avoid direct import law violations
- Prioritize:
 - Patient consent
 - Data protection
 - Pharmaceutical-grade quality

Discussion



- ▶ Model occupies legal gray areas in some nations
- Allows access now while policy evolves
- Could inform international medical cannabis frameworks
- ▶ Sets a precedent for equitable healthcare distribution

Conclusion



Global equity in THC access is achievable.

- ▶ International law permits compliant models
- Technology enables secure, legal systems
- ▶ Real-world testing can inform regulation

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