MIAMI – The iPhone ads claim, "There's an app for just about anything," and now that includes an app for finding marijuana.

For $2.99 users can download "Cannabis," an application that finds the closest place to get legal medical marijuana.

You put in your location and the program is supposed to show the nearest doctors who can write prescriptions for marijuana and pharmacies that can fill them.

Since most are in California some feel the app will have no impact in other areas.

"If people want to buy some weed they're gonna go around the corner or they're gonna go to somebody they know and they're gonna buy some weed for personal consumption. They’re not gonna go all the way to California," says attorney Grey Tesh, a member of the marijuana legalization advocacy group NORML.

Opponents of the app feel this isn't about location, they're worried about the target of this program.

Doris Carroll, the executive director of Florida's Palm Beach County Substance Abuse Coalition agrees the app won't be used by most marijuana users, but feels that just like the Joe Camel and other old cigarette ads, a program built for a trendy piece of technology is clearly geared toward one specific audience.

"They're targeting youth marijuana use here and it's outrageous; it's outrageous," Carrol said.

If it makes drugs seem acceptable she feels Apple should say, "There is not an app for that."

The program was created by AJNAG, a marijuana advocacy group, and accepted by Apple.

The app also allows users to find places to buy marijuana in countries where it is legal, as well as find local advocacy groups.

Tesh feels that could help groups like NORML in its fight to legalize marijuana.
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