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Facing the Facts about Marijuana

Marijuana may be legal in some places, but that does not mean it is safe.

Common misconceptions exist around the safety of marijuana.

While many people think it is harmless, it is actually a dangerous drug that can lead to serious consequences.



FACT

The average concentration of THC in marijuana has increased nearly 4x in the last three decades. There has also been an increase in ER visits involving marijuana. (Partnership to End Addiction)

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Marijuana is the drug most frequently found in the blood of drivers involved in, and often responsible for, vehicle crashes. (NIDA)



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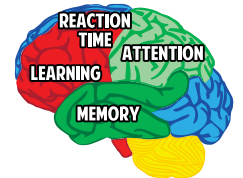
Marijuana use at younger ages is tied to higher rates of addiction. (C.S. Mott Children's Hospital)

FACT

Marijuana affects timing, movement, and coordination, which can harm athletic performance. (SAMHSA)

FACT

Marijuana use is associated with issues related to memory, learning and academic outcomes. (Power to the Parent)



FACT

Frequent marijuana use among young adults has been linked to depression, anxiety and suicidality (NIDA).

FACT

Marijuana use during pregnancy is associated with lower birth weight and increased risk of abnormal neurological development. (CDC)

FACT

Smoke from marijuana irritates the lungs and can cause a chronic cough - effects similar to those from smoking cigarettes. (NIDA)



FACT

When used by adolescents, marijuana is linked to issues with brain development including lower IQ scores. (SAMHSA)

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