

KNOW THE RISKS: MEDICAL USE OF MARIJUANA

Medical marijuana is legal for persons with a qualifying illness, such as terminal cancer. Persons seeking medical marijuana must obtain a doctor's recommendation and register with the State Department of Health to avoid criminal prosecution under Hawaii law.

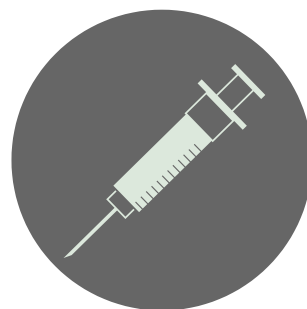
MARIJUANA USE EXPOSES THE BRAIN TO EARLY ONSET OF:



Loss in IQ Points



Mental Illness

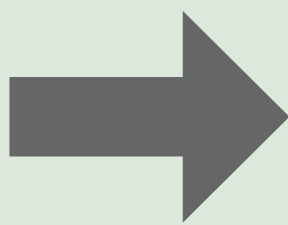


Addiction

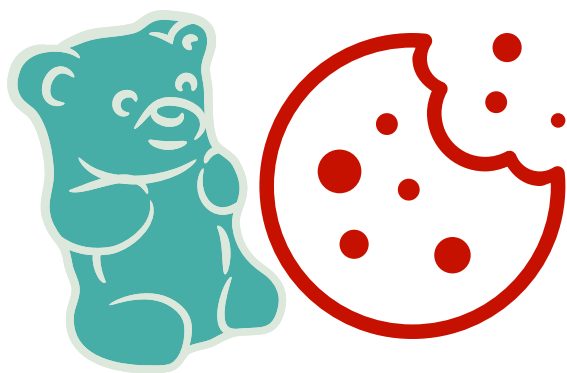
In Hawaii there has been a dramatic increase in marijuana related traffic fatalities since medicinal marijuana was legalized in 2000.



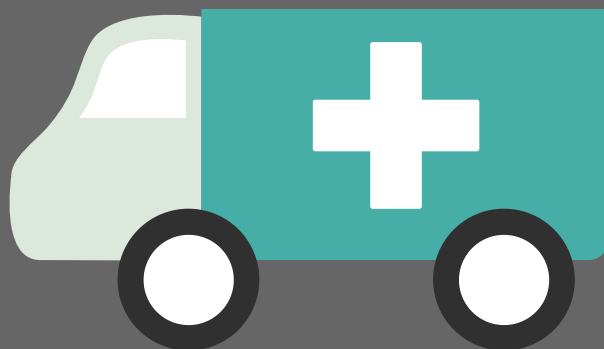
28 Marijuana related traffic fatalities between 1991 and 1999



150 Marijuana related traffic fatalities between 2000 and 2014



Overdose on edible marijuana products can easily occur due to THC potency. This makes it hazardous for infants, young children and pets.



In Colorado, marijuana exposures increased 169% for children ages 0-5 after legalization.

LEARNING FROM OTHER STATES



Emergency departments reported an increase of marijuana related poisoning.



Colorado is the #1 state for rising rates of marijuana use by minors.



Colorado has more marijuana businesses than McDonald's and Starbucks combined.



Both CO and WA experience higher rates of traffic deaths while driving high.



Big marijuana is a \$22 billion profit industry like Big Tobacco.

WE SUGGEST:

- Cap THC levels to no more than 10%.
- Provide factual marijuana education for medical marijuana cardholders, youth, pregnant women and the public.



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