lead Can smoking marijuana during be farmful to an be harmful to an unborn child?

Yes. Smoking marijuana during pregnancy can cause neurological damage to cause other physical, emotional and mental problems. Any drug or alcohol use by a pregnant mother is dangerous to an mother is dangerous to an

Does smoking marijuana lead to chronic lung disease or other types of cancer?

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Yes. Smoking marijuana can cause lung disease and other respiratory ailments because there are cancer-causing agents in marijuana smoke, more than in tobacco smoke, One marijuana cigarette, or joint can be as damaging to the lungs as four or five the lungs as four or five tobacco cigarettes.

Is it true that potency of marijuana has increased more than 275% over the last twenty years?

Yes, it is true. Marijuana is approximately 7-10 times stronger today than it was in the Sixties.

Can using manijuana be addictive? to c

Yes. Marijuana is extremely addictive on both a psychological and physical level. Users begin to believe that they need marijuana in order they need marijuana in order they need marijuana, to the becoming tolerant to the chemical THC in marijuana, they will use larger and larger doses for the same desired nesults. This produces both a results. This produces b ro

Can a "contact high" occur in individuals near others smoking marijuana?

Yes. Second-hand marijuana smoke can produce a "contact high" when near because the smoking everyone's breathing area. It everyone's breathing area. It and respiratory system.

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Some Redness of the eyes

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Dry mouth and throat

noticeable Increased heart rate Increased appetite signs of ("munchies")

डांकुगड of ("munchies") Impaired coordination,

Impaired coordination, concentration, memory and judgement

Distorted perceptions of use are: sights, sounds and touch

Get Straight on the Facts

what is marijuana?

Marijuana is an illegal drug. Derived from the hemp plant, also known as Cannabis sativa, marijuana has a greenish-brown, shredded, dried-leaf appearance. Some of its street names are pot, herb, reefer, weed, bud, dope, grass, homegrown, ganja, and Mary Jane. Whatever the name, marijuana is a dangerous and understated drug, containing over 400 harmful chemicals, including tar and carcinogens, cancer-causing substances.

The Straight Facts on

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If You Use, You Lose

Using marijuana is not only harmful to your health but to your freedom. If you use, sell, or even possess marijuana you are breaking the law and could be imprisoned for long-term sentences and fined thousands of dollars.

Freedom and money may not belthe only things you, lose Marijuana burchased on the street or supplied by someque else could contain other dangerous drugs, like PCP, or contaminants, such as herbidides, that could be immediately fatal.



If Not Today, Tomorrow... Marijuana use can cause serious health complications, possibly resulting in shortening your life-span, as well as diminishing your quality of life.

While almost everyone knows how bad smoking tobacco cigarettes is, and that they are the leading cause of lung cancer, smoking marijuana is five times more harmful to the lungs.

Whether marijuana is smoked in a rolled-up cigarette form, known as a joint, or loosely

out of a pipe or bong, or orally ingested, it is still harmful and can produce dangerous physical and mental side effects.

How Can A Plant Be So Dangerous?

Delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) is the main mindaltering chemidal in marijuana. 🕒 Disruption of sperm When marijuana is used, it enters the bloodstream and is eventually stored in fatty tissues of the body - the brain, reproductive organs, liver, lungs and spleen. THC damages these tissues, and hinders normal body functions.

While in the brain, THC widens the gaps between nerve cells, causing a decrease in the transmission of impulses. Over time this can result in speech problems, memory loss, and confusion. It also kills brain cells.

Benefits?...

There aren't any benefits of using marijuana. These are all possible outcomes of marijuana use, even from one time.

- Cardiac arrhythmias, or irregular heartbeats
- Tightness in chest, and difficulty in breathing
- Severe anxiety and panic attacks
- Delusions
- Possible psychotic episodes

Some Health Problems From Long-Term Use Include:

- Respiratory damage and illness, including emphysema and bronchitis
- Immune system cell and tissue damage
- Disruption of the normal menstrual cycle
- production and impotence
- Infertility for both males and females
- Hormonal imbalances
- Inhibition of puberty
- Addiction

Getting High Is A Real Downer

Persons who use marijuana often become depressed and suffer from a loss of motivation and interest in life. This can be especially harmful during teen years when goals and decisions are an important part of growth and planning for the future.

This overall disinterest in doing anything, combined with a loss of short-term memory, and difficulty in completing thought processes is referred to as "burnout". A decline in school and work performance can be signs of burnout, in which there is a lack of motivation, ambition, and ability to carry out plans.

Clinical mental problems that are treated due to marijuana use include

depression, hallucinations, anxiety, paranoia, and mental addiction.

Does It Go Away?

After the high has worn off, the user's vision and cooldination can be affected. for at least 4-6 hours. Traces of THC can be found through urine testing up to a week of even 30 days after/use, even though this chemical can be stored in the body's fatty tissue for months.

Treatment

While there are currently no medications to treat marijuana dependency, treatment programs focus on counseling and group support systems. Community resource centers have access to information about support groups for adults while school counselors may provide specific information about treating teenage marijuana use.



Don't Be A Dope. Don't Smoke Marijuana.