

Reputable sources for Information on Marijuana

SAMSHA - <https://www.samhsa.gov/>

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is the agency within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services that leads public health efforts to advance the behavioral health of the nation. SAMHSA's mission is to reduce the impact of substance abuse and mental illness on America's communities.

NIDA - <https://www.drugabuse.gov/>

The **National Institute on Drug Abuse (Advancing Addiction Science)** - Our mission is to advance science on the causes and consequences of drug use and addiction and to apply that knowledge to improve individual and public health.

This involves: Strategically supporting and conducting basic and clinical research on drug use (including nicotine), its consequences, and the underlying neurobiological, behavioral, and social mechanisms involved. And ensuring the effective translation, implementation, and dissemination of scientific research findings to improve the prevention and treatment of substance use disorders and enhance public awareness of addiction as a brain disorder.

CASA - <https://www.centeronaddiction.org/>

The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse is a national nonprofit research and policy organization focused on improving the understanding, prevention and treatment of substance use and addiction. Founded in 1992 by former U.S. Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, [Joseph A. Califano, Jr.](#), our interdisciplinary experts collaborate with others to promote effective policies and practices. We conduct and synthesize research, inform and guide the public, evaluate and improve healthcare, and analyze and recommend policies on substance use and addiction

SAM - <https://learnaboutsam.org/>

Smart Approaches to Marijuana is an alliance of organizations and individuals dedicated to a health-first approach to marijuana policy. We are professionals working in mental health and public health. We are bipartisan. We are medical doctors, lawmakers, treatment providers, preventionists, teachers, law enforcement officers and others who seek a middle road between incarceration and legalization. Our commonsense, third-way approach to marijuana policy is based on reputable science and sound principles of public health and safety.

DEA - <https://www.dea.gov/index.shtml> ; <https://www.getsmartaboutdrugs.gov/> - **Drug Enforcement Agency**

The Marijuana Report <http://themarijuanareport.org/> - Marijuana news based on science, not spin - National Families in Action <http://www.nationalfamilies.org/>

Parents Opposed to Pot <http://www.poppot.org/> - Bursting the bubble of marijuana hype

Moms Strong - <http://momsstrong.org/> - Dedicated to families that have lost kids to marijuana.

Rec Legal Parenting - <https://www.reclegalparenting.org/> - Education site to help parents get up-to-date on marijuana in the 21st Century.

CALM - <https://calmusa.org/> - **Citizens Against Legalizing Marijuana** is a political action group.

Communication

Jaime Rich - Talking to your kids about their potential marijuana use (high school-oriented video)

video - <https://teenesteem.org/how-to-talk-to-your-kids/>

Marijuana Talk Kit from Partnership for Drug-Free Kids (document)

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1YFwVtCf8LPRaCZNfZqI9qBStzHOr2eCW/view?usp=sharing>

Separating fact from fiction <https://www.hazeldenbettyford.org/articles/fcd/preventing-teen-marijuana-use>

More information on Marijuana

Ultra-potent Pot - Growing Risks and Impacts -

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W34pKwIcz80&feature=youtu.be>

High School Documentary by Ben Grayzel - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BApEKGUpXs>

Darryl Rodgers, *parent who lost son* - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zIAJYFTCqtA&t=11s>

Environment Damage of Marijuana in the West - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-vBaojpUju0&feature=youtu.be> and www.silentpoison.com

How Juul made nicotine go viral by Vox - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AFOpokBUyok&feature=youtu.be>

NV vaping nicotine & marijuana – “*Tobacco, Vaping and Marijuana: A Parent’s Guide to a New Epidemic*”-

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SEz7rvY9IjE&feature=youtu.be>

Chronic State - produced by Drug Free Idaho – for a national audience - illustrates the failed experiment of legal pot in cities and counties in Colorado, Washington and California

Trailer - <https://vimeo.com/285486451>; Full Documentary - <https://vimeo.com/280127474>

Marijuana...Know The Truth - produced by Drug Free America Foundation (DFAF) - full version (2:13) -

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W7LhAI5WsCI&feature=youtu.be>; :30 sec version -

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4nUzm4McSeA&feature=youtu.be>

Youth

Natural High.org – <https://naturalhigh.org/about-us/> – Natural High is a nonprofit organization that inspires and empowers youth to find their natural high and develop the skills and courage to live life well.

Above the Influence.com – <https://abovetheinfluence.com/> - inspires youth to look at what is influencing their lives and make choices about it. Originally created as a part of the National Youth Anti-Drug Media Campaign, a program of the Office of National Drug Control Policy. Above the Influence has since transitioned away from federal oversight (as of March 2014) and is now a program of the non-profit Partnership for Drug-Free Kids.

10 rappers that don't smoke or drink alcohol - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-jcfDuFfhNs>

KFTOS – Kids from the other side – <https://kftos.superstarplatform.com/What-is-KFTOS>

NIDA teaching website - <https://teens.drugabuse.gov/teachers/lessonplans#/questions>

ASAP Science - Your Brain on Drugs: Marijuana - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oeF6rFN9org>