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November, 2020

*Building a safe and healthy environment
by effectively educating the community on positive life choices.*

Monthly Media Campaign: Marijuana & Vaping Awareness

Did you know...

Based on data collected from Chautauqua County, marijuana use among 8th, 10th & 12th graders in the last 30 days is at 16.7%... **which means 83.3% of youth did NOT use!** Using marijuana is NOT the norm!

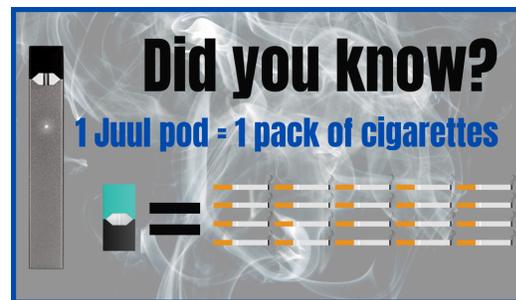
There are many myths surrounding marijuana that try to paint it in a favorable light that could try to influence use among adolescents. For this reason, it is important to correct false marijuana claims, particularly the bedrock myth that marijuana use is harmless.

Check out these 9 common myths about marijuana, and the myth-busting reality!

9 Myths About Marijuana

However... Vaping among adolescents is increasing.

Vaping devices are popular among teens and are now the most commonly used form of nicotine among youth in the United States. Some research shows that many teens do not even realize that vaping cartridges contain nicotine,



In addition to nicotine and flavored liquids, marijuana concentrates can also be vaped. Concentrates can be vaporized and inhaled using a vape pen or by dabbing. These concentrates can contain very high levels of THC, the psychotropic ingredient in marijuana. Exposure to high levels of THC increases the risks of physical dependence and addiction. Higher doses of THC are more likely to produce anxiety, agitation, paranoia, and psychosis.

Learn more at:

<https://www.drugabuse.gov/publications/drugfacts/marijuana-concentrates>

Vaping & Marijuana Brochure

and assume the pods contain only flavoring. The easy availability of these devices, alluring advertisements, various e-liquid flavors, and the belief that they're safer than cigarettes have helped make them appealing to this age group.

In addition, they are easy to hide from teachers and parents because they do not leave behind the stench of tobacco cigarettes, and are often disguised as flash drives. Other devices, such as those with fillable tanks, may look different. Regardless of their design and appearance, these devices generally operate in a similar manner and are made of similar components. More than 460 different e-cigarette brands are currently on the market.

Want to learn more about vaping and the health risks associated with it? Visit:

<https://www.drugabuse.gov/publications/drugfacts/vaping-devices-electronic-cigarettes>

November Events:

Thanksgiving
Prevention Works Offices Closed
November 26th & 27th

About Us

Since 1974, Prevention Works, formerly known as CASAC, a United Way partner agency, has provided social emotional learning and the prevention of risky behaviors in Chautauqua County School Districts and our local community. Prevention Works is the only New York State Office of Addiction Services & Supports (OASAS) approved and supported alcohol and other drug prevention agency in Chautauqua County. For further information about Prevention Works programs and services, call the Jamestown office at 664-3608, or the Dunkirk office at 366-4623, or go to Prevention Works' website, www.preventionworks.us.

Concerned about your teen vaping and the impact it has on his or her health? These evidence-based treatments are developed specifically for teens and young adults:

**psst... we're listed as a program*

Vaping Programs for Teens

Upcoming Parenting Classes:

First Five Years

Dates: Wednesdays, October 22, 29, & November 5, 2020

Time: 12:00 pm - 2 pm

Active Parenting Ages 5-12

Dates: Wednesdays, November 18, 25, & December 2, 2020

Time: 12:00 pm - 2 pm

Active Parenting of Teens

Dates: Wednesdays, October 21, 29, & November 4, 2020

Time: 12:00 pm - 2 pm

To register for our online parenting classes, please call (716) 664-3608 or contact Kathy Colby at kjcolby@preventionworks.us.

Parenting Classes sponsored by United Way of Southern Chautauqua County



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