

Cannabis and Youth Project

Resources



CAMH Sources and Recommended Resources:

Centre for Addiction and Mental Health. (1999) The Health Effects of Cannabis. Toronto
Compilation of research and reviews examining the health implications of cannabis use.

Centre for Addiction and Mental Health. (2002) CAMH Position on Harm Reduction: It's Meaning and Implications for Substance Use Issues.

Provides definition of harm reduction and practical application to work of CAMH.

Centre for Addiction and Mental Health. (2002) Centre for Addiction and Mental Health: Submission to the Senate Special Committee on Illegal Drugs.

Centre for Addiction and Mental Health. (2006) "About Marijuana".
Newspaper style with graphics for public information and distribution.

Centre for Addiction and Mental Health

http://www.camh.net/Public_policy/Public_policy_papers/cannabis.html

CAMH Position on the legal sanctions related to cannabis possession/use.

Not This Time: Canadians, Public Policy, and the Marijuana Question, 1961-1975:
Marcel Martel; University of Toronto Press, 2006

Web sites and web based resources:

Health Canada

www.hc-sc.gc.ca

Provides links to information from the Offices of Canada's Drug Strategy, Controlled Substances, and Cannabis Medical Access. Documents and publications area also posted. Provides links to related health web sites and resources.

Canadian Health Network

www.canadian-health-network.ca

Provides link to articles for Youth including article on safety of marijuana and prevalence of marijuana use by Canadian teens.

Library of Parliament- Parliamentary Research Branch

Legislative Summaries

www.parl.gc.ca

Provides background and analysis of the proposed legislation currently identified as Bill C-10: An Act to Amend the Contraventions Act and the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act under the House of Commons listing.

Department of Justice Canada

<http://canada.justice.gc.ca>

Provides news releases and backgrounders as well as a youth page on FAQ's re: cannabis reform.

Parent Action on Drugs

www.parentactionondrugs.org

Canadian Centre on Substance Abuse

www.ccsa.ca

Addictions Foundation of Manitoba

www.afm.mb.ca

Prevention Source BC

www.preventionsource.org

Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission

www.gov.ab.ca/aadac

New Scientist: "Marijuana Special Report".

www.newscientist.com/hottopics/marijuana/hooked.jsp

Features a number of articles on various aspects of marijuana research as well as links to related articles.

National Institute on Drug Abuse (US)

www.nida.nih.gov

Centre for Addiction and Mental Health

www.camh.net

Canadian Public Health Association

www.potanddriving.cpha.ca

Ottawa Public Health

http://ottawa.ca/residents/health/living/ad_youth/drive_high_en.html

Related Articles and Reports

Canadian Centre on Substance Abuse (2005) Substance Abuse in Canada: Current Challenges and Choices. Ottawa, ON: Canadian Centre on Substance Abuse

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Health Canada. (2001) Preventing Substance Use Problems Among Young People: A Compendium of Best Practices. Ottawa.

Addictions Foundation of Manitoba. Youth and Cannabis Conference: Draft Working Paper. (2003). Winnipeg.

Canadian Paediatric Society. Paediatrics and Child Health. Canada's youth up in smoke: The decriminalization of cannabis. November 2003, volume 8, Number 9. (available on line at www.pulsus.com/Paeds/08_09/cann_ed.htm)

Journal Articles

Arsenault L, Cannon M, Poulton R, Murray R, Caspi A, and Moffitt T. Cannabis use in adolescence and risk for adult psychosis: longitudinal prospective study. BMJ. Volume 325. November 2002.

Bovasso, G. Cannabis Use as a Risk factor for Depressive Symptoms. American Journal of Psychiatry. 158: 12. December 2001.

Fischer, B, Ala-Leppilampi, K, Single, E, Robins, A. Cannabis Law Reform in Canada: Is the "saga of Promise, Hesitation and Retreat" Coming to an End? Canadian Journal of Criminology and Criminal Justice. (2003)

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Zoccolillo M, Vitaro F, and Tremblay R. Problem Drug and Alcohol Use in a Community Sample of Adolescents. Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry. 38:7. July 1999.