

EVERY BRAIN MATTERS IS A COMMUNITY OF SUPPORT, ADVOCACY, AND SCIENCE

SUPPORT (HOPE)

We acknowledge that the general public and many support groups don't understand the true and devastating impacts of marijuana. We respectfully invite you to an online group,

ADVOCACY (CHANGE)

This group has been created for those who want to advocate to help curtail the widespread acceptance, commercialization, and normalization of marijuana.

SCIENCE (TRUTH)

Every Brain Matters is driven by science. We only educate and advocate facts.

Please visit our library.

THE EVERY BRAIN MATTERS STORE

We call for a cultural change with the widespread use of our logo to bring visual public awareness that unites us and symbolizes "freedom from marijuana" and promotes optimal brain and environmental health.



everybrainmatters.org/store/

"This is not about a War on Drugs. This is about a Defense of our Brains, the repository of our humanity."

Dr. Bertha Madras

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Learn about Cannabis-Induced Psychosis (CIP)



***Freedom From Marijuana
and the
Drug Cultural Expansion***

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What is Cannabis Induced-Psychosis (CIP)?

A mental health disorder characterized by the loss of connection with reality induced by THC (Tetrahydrocannabinol) in the cannabis plant.

What are the symptoms of CIP?

Symptoms can be mild or severe and can occur for a few minutes or for years.

Symptoms can be:

- Paranoia
- Hallucinations (especially auditory)
- Delusions
- Grandiosity
- Irritability
- Anxiety and agitation
- Depersonalization
- Disorganized thinking, speech, behavior
- Racing thoughts
- Obsessive ideation

Is it safe to use low-concentrated THC products?

The THC in marijuana, even in low concentrations, can cause Cannabis Induced Psychosis.

Who is most at risk to develop CIP?

- Youth under the age of 25
- Higher frequency of use
- Use of higher concentration THC products
- Earlier age of use the higher the risk

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Can CIP lead to a schizophrenia diagnosis?

Temporary psychotic symptoms from THC can result in permanent psychotic disorders like schizophrenia or bipolar disorder with psychosis. For those who experience a transient psychotic break, the rate of conversion to a chronic psychotic disorder depends on the drug being used. Cannabis tops the list.

Drug Conversion Rate (chronic psychosis):

Cannabis 47%
Amphetamine 32%
Hallucinogens 28%
Opioids 21%

<https://ajp.psychiatryonline.org/doi/10.1176/appi.ajp.2017.17020223>

Is it safe for adults to use marijuana products and not develop CIP?

THC is destructive to critical neuronal pathways in the developing brain. Youth under the age of 25 are more at risk, for CIP, but adults are not immune.

Will I develop CIP if I use marijuana just a few times a week or month?

We can't predict who is susceptible. Some experience symptoms after using THC only a few times.

Why is CIP not understood by the medical community and the general public?

Due to the lack of education, combined with well-funded ad campaigns, the public is being deceived.

Is there a cure for CIP?

No, there is not a cure for CIP, but the brain can heal and recovery possible. We recommend that the person who is experiencing CIP, and the family members, get help and support as soon as possible.

Is Cannabis Induced-Psychosis common?

CIP is becoming more common. State-sanctioned potent marijuana products like dabs are now more accessible. Vapes provide turbo-fast hits of ultra-concentrated THC to the brain which has created a public health crisis and can have severe consequences including loss of life.

Can CIP increase the risk of suicide?

Science finds cannabis use is associated with a higher prevalence of suicidal ideation, plan, and attempt among U.S. young adults (ages 18 -25).

<https://www.drugabuse.gov/news-events/news-releases/2021/06/cannabis-use-may-be-associated-with-suicidality-in-young-adults>

To read more about the science of CIP.



Please refer to Every Brain Matters to find support for recovery.



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