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Every Brain Matters Community Newsletter

August 2021

Welcome to our first monthly EBM Newsletter!

Every Brain Matters is a community of support, advocacy, and science. **Join us**, as we call for a cultural change with the widespread use of our logo, which unites us and symbolizes both "freedom from marijuana" and optimal brain and environmental health.

The public has been deceived and misled regarding marijuana products and their effects, which has led to a public health crisis. Many groups are fighting back to stem the flow of damages from today's high-potency marijuana and new delivery systems, which is difficult, costly, and time consuming. Regardless, this long-term uphill endeavor is worth our sustained effort.

We get stronger together. Just like if we face a bear in the woods, we stand side-by-side, get bigger, and get louder together to survive. No matter what decisions are made or how much the drug culture expands, we will "Keep On Keepin' On", because we wholeheartedly know that **Every Brain Matters**. We invite you to be part of our community. **Join us**.

What's New on EBM

Marijuana to Fentanyl. My Son is More Than a Statistic

Our family did all we could to stop our son's addiction (a 14-year-old brain gets hooked quickly). We sent him to rehab, where he was diagnosed with Cannabis Use Disorder.



[Read Trevor's story](#)

A Moment of Science

Every Brain Matters educates on the science of marijuana. Please visit our user friendly science section.

Early initiation of marijuana (before 18 years) is the predominant predictor of opioid use disorder

Curbing early initiation of marijuana may be an effective prevention strategy against opioid addiction, especially in high risk groups

[Read the research](#)

Visit the **EBM science section** to read more about poly-substance use.

On The Calendar

All meetings are featured in CENTRAL time. Refer to this link to view all meetings. Save these upcoming events to your calendars for the correct times.

Drug Free America Foundation's 9th Annual Prevention Summit.

Aug 30-31 - EBM will have a booth. Stop by and enter our drawing to win a free vacation.

Advocacy

Join us! We have a meeting on the 2nd Friday of every month at 1 pm CENTRAL time. We have small tasks that only take a few minutes to create big change!



[Learn More](#)

Support and Recovery Meetings



Climbers Support Meeting - every Wednesday at 7 pm CENTRAL time

This meeting is an interactive educational group for family members to bring issues, questions, or concerns and receive direct feedback from a counselor and other family members.

[Learn More](#)



Mar-Anon - meeting times listed here

Mar-Anon is for people affected by another person's marijuana. We share our experience, strength, and hope with one another.

[Learn More](#)

Every Brain Matters Speakers Meeting - 1st Friday of every month at 6:00pm CENTRAL time.



EBM Speakers Meeting- Sept 3rd

Barbara Dwyer

Barbara is the founder of "Cougars in Recovery", the collegiate recovery community at the University of Houston, which supports students in recovery from substance use disorders.

[Learn More and Save to Your Calendar](#)

Campaigns

Jennifer's Messengers Car Kit

Jennifer was killed by a "medical" marijuana-impaired driver at the beginning of her life. It is estimated that another 6,800 people will be killed if marijuana is federally legalized. We ask you to help us bring awareness and honor Jennifer and all of the other people who have lost their lives in this reckless experiment by making a donation and in return, you will receive this car kit to bring awareness to marijuana driving dangers.

[Learn more and make a donation here.](#)



Think Ya Know?

This series debunks the common misconceptions about marijuana!

We ask the challenging questions, and answer with the thought-provoking facts, testimonies, and give you action points to make a difference and increase awareness and education about the impacts of marijuana.

Make sure you click the picture below to learn about **cannabinoid hyperemesis syndrome (CHS)**.

[Learn More](#)



Professional Letter

Every Brain Matters Takes Action and We Need Your Help!

On our site, you will find well-researched professional letters addressing the science behind the many harms of marijuana, to send to your legislators, doctors, business associates, city council, or anyone you think needs to read them.

We publish a new letter every month. **July's subject is Suicide Trends with Cannabis Use.**

[Learn More](#)



A Moment of Silence

We ask you now to please take a few moments of silence to honor and remember the people and their families who have been affected by marijuana. Below we list a few names to keep in your thoughts and prayers. If you would like to memorialize your loved one [please click this link](#).

Kevin Bright, Joey, Jason Gregory (10 months old)

EBM Store

Be part of the cultural change and purchase **EBM merchandise** to bring a visual public awareness that promotes optimal brain and environmental health. The Every Brain Matters logo is a unifying symbol, like our flag, that says we are growing the drug prevention and recovery communities.



We need your support.

We are looking for Volunteers:

As with all 501c3 groups, we need volunteers to help us with projects and making new contacts. If you are looking for small ways to get involved, here is what you can do:

1. We need volunteers to **email the Professional Letter Campaign.**
2. We need help with **social media posts.**
3. We are looking for a volunteer to **organize our growing group of volunteers.**
4. Help grow our **EBM community** by encouraging friends and family to **join** with 3 easy steps, which includes a signing up for our newsletter, **membership on Patreon** (\$2 or more a month), and **subscribing to our channel.**

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