



One Chance To Grow Up National Policy Statement

Urgent Request for Congress to Enact Safeguards on THC Products

Our nation stands at a crossroads. We can prioritize public health and develop responsible data-driven safeguards, or risk losing a generation of young people to the harmful mental and physical effects of high-potency THC.

The federal government has a responsibility to enact child safety measures and basic product safeguards on THC products, including THC derived from hemp and CBD products allowed by the 2018 U.S. Farm Bill. States and local jurisdictions have the right to determine, maintain, and implement additional safeguards but the federal government has the responsibility to enact national protections.

Baseline safeguards must include the following categories:

- **Product:**
 - Ban kid-friendly products and flavors
 - Cap THC Potency
 - Require THC universal symbol and warning on both product and packaging
 - Disclosures of and restrictions on harmful pesticides, chemicals, solvents, and metals used in production
- **Packaging:**
 - Child-resistant and plain packaging
 - Clearly visible and accurate information on THC concentration/potency
 - Clearly visible health warnings on labeling and packaging
 - Limits on dosage and serving size (potency and weight) allowed per single dose packaging and package/container
- **Marketing:**
 - Restrictions on marketing that is likely to reach youth, including social media
 - Monitoring and reporting of false claims with penalties for violations
 - Robust funding for evidence-based youth prevention campaigns to reduce use, as well as parent/trusted adults awareness campaigns about the risks to adolescents
 - Robust funding to educate and inform women on the harms while pregnant and breastfeeding

- Enforcement:
 - Significant penalties for selling and/or distributing to minors and national reporting of such violations
 - Mandatory pre-sale product testing and product recall authority
- Data Collection:
 - Data collection and research on youth impacts including poison control, emergency department and hospital admissions, marijuana-related car accidents and fatalities, substance misuse treatment admissions, and toxicology reporting on youth who die by suicide

One Chance to Grow Up protects kids from THC through transparency, education, empowerment, and policy. We don't take sides on the politics of legalization for adults but instead serve as a reliable resource for parents, media, policymakers, and all those who care about kids.

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