



## **One Chance To Grow Up National Policy Statement**

### **Urgent Request for Congress to Enact Clarification on Policies Relating to Hemp-Derived Intoxicating 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 hemp-derived intoxicating products.*

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

Baseline safeguards must include the following categories:

- Product:
  - Enact a federal minimum purchase age of 21
  - Ban kid-friendly products and flavors
  - Determine which products are safe for human consumption
  - Cap total psychoactive potency on any hemp-derived intoxicants including THC and substances that mimic the effects of THC
  - Require universal warning symbol on both product and packaging
- Packaging:
  - Child-resistant and plain packaging
  - Clearly visible and accurate information on total psychoactive potency
  - Clearly visible health warnings on labeling and packaging
  - Limits on dosage and serving size (psychoactive potency and total weight of all intoxicants) and maximum servings per package

- Marketing:
  - Restrictions on advertising and 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
  - Robust funding to educate and inform regarding the harms of any amount of hemp-derived intoxicants and psychoactive potency while pregnant and breastfeeding
- Enforcement:
  - Designate federal agency to ensure there is robust oversight, compliance, and enforcement of minimum purchase age and child and product safeguards
  - Significant penalties for selling and/or distributing to minors and national reporting of such violations
- Data Collection:
  - Data collection and research on youth impacts of hemp-derived intoxicants, including poison control, emergency department and hospital admissions, automobile accidents and fatalities, substance misuse treatment admissions, and toxicology reporting on non-natural deaths including youth that die by suicide

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