

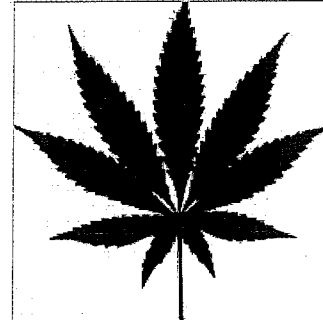


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Marijuana Alert



Read more:

Marijuana will be legal for "recreational" use in Colorado beginning January 1, 2014. Please read the two articles about the impact on youth and workers.

Rocky Mountain high endangers young people

. . . But the real damage will be to Colorado's youth. Young brains are especially vulnerable to marijuana use, with studies showing that becoming drug-dependent is far more likely among people who start using marijuana in their teens. Drug-related school suspensions are a major problem in Colorado, with more than 5,000 occurring in the last year for which there are records.

One in four Boulder teens uses pot, according to the National Survey on Drug Use and Health, and more than one-third have used it in the previous 30 days. Of those Colorado youth who are users, 11 percent use the drug daily. And kids are experimenting at younger ages, with almost one in 10 middle school students in Adams County north of Denver admitting they used marijuana in the previous 30 days. Read more:

Colorado's high country takes on new meaning Read more:

Marijuana was legalized as medicine in Illinois, with the new law effective January 1, 2014. Washington DC legalized marijuana as medicine for 4 medical conditions, while Illinois' law covers 30 medical conditions and more on the way.

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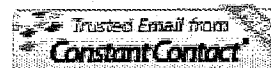


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