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Marijuana Alert Brain Damage from Cannabis



Chicago marijuana shop changes plans for location

Community resident Dedra Delaney said Tuesday she's "overjoyed" by Illinois Grown Medicine's announcement that it's looking for a new location. The company wanted to put its shop across the street from a roller-skating rink on East 87th Street. Read more

Video appears to show toddler smoking marijuana

Chicago police are investigating a shocking case of child endangerment captured on video. A toddler appears to be smoking marijuana, and there is an adult encouraging him the whole time. Read more

More trouble for Illinois' pot-friendly doctor

Illinois regulators say Dr. Bodo Schneider approved marijuana for hundreds of patients and charged them for pot recommendations at offices in southern Illinois and suburban Chicago without a legitimate doctor-patient relationship.

... It's not the first time Schneider's been in trouble. A former emergency room doctor, he was reprimanded in 2000 for failing to properly treat a diabetic patient. Florida revoked his license in 2005 for failure to report the Illinois discipline and pay a fine, which prompted Virginia to suspend his license. Read more

STUDY: Brain damage from cannabis

Smoking high potency 'skunk-like' cannabis can damage a crucial part of the brain responsible for communication between the two brain hemispheres, according to a new study.

Researchers have known for some time that long-term cannabis use increases the risk of psychosis, and recent evidence suggests that alterations in brain function and structure may be responsible for his greater vulnerability. However, this new research, published in *Psychological Medicine*, is the first to examine the effect of cannabis potency on brain structure. Read more

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