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Marijuana Alert - September 10, 2018



The Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police and the Illinois Sheriffs' Association are offering a Marijuana Webinar Series focusing on the impact recreational marijuana has had in states that have legalized it. The nine webinars will be live-streamed at [Facebook.com/noweedillinois](https://www.facebook.com/noweedillinois) on the date and time listed and will be permanently posted at that site and at www.noweedillinois.com

Three webinars will be live streamed this week at [Facebook.com/noweedillinois](https://www.facebook.com/noweedillinois):
Sept 11th, 12:00 PM Topics: Pot problems in Colorado schools increase with legalization. And the toll that legal weed is taking on Colorado's culture. Presenter: Ron Castagna. Educator and retired Colorado high school principal of 27 years, 2012 Principal of the Year

Sept. 13th, 12:00 PM Topics: Marijuana's hidden price: the environmental, economic and human impact of legalization in California. Presenter: Roger Morgan. Chairman/founder of Take Back America Campaign; former chairman and executive director of the Coalition for a Drug-Free California; His two step-children became drug addicted and two nephews died from drug related causes.

Sept. 13th, 2:00 PM Topics: Driving while high, black market pot, the legalization of marijuana in Colorado, more danger on roads and a higher crime rate. Presenter:

Chelsey Clarke. Chelsey joined the Colorado Rocky Mountain High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (RMHIDTA) program in 2014 and in 2016 was promoted to the Strategic Intelligence Unit Supervisor. She is a primary contributor to the annual The Impact reports on marijuana.

Medical marijuana sellers are "thrilled" Governor signed SB 336

The Illinois Department of Public Health requires the agency to **adopt rules by December 1**. Once the system is running, people who have been certified by a doctor and have proof they've paid the state's registration fee can visit a dispensary to obtain medical marijuana while the state reviews the application. Marijuana dispensaries can assist people in filling out the forms, the *Chicago Tribune* reported.

"The main concern for the state is, **How do we track patient usage? How do we make sure patients aren't using more than one dispensary on the same day?**," he said. "**How do we track all these new people in the system and (verify them) if the state is not the sole access point?** Right now, you wait for state approval and you are in." [Read more](#)

Doctor warns super-strength marijuana a schizophrenia timebomb

And MRI scans reveal that **long-term use of skunk shrinks the hippocampus** - the part of the brain essential for regulating emotions and long-term memory - **by 11 per cent**, according to researchers at Monash University in Australia. Only 'prolonged abstinence' could reverse the brain atrophy, they concluded. [Read more](#)

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