

# MARIJUANA AND THE TEEN BRAIN



Parents! Since the passage of the Medical Marijuana Law in the state, many youth - and some adults - think Marijuana use is safe.

**Not so!** *Share this information with your child/teen today.*

## What the Research Tells Us

***The brain is not fully developed until the mid-20s and can be permanently damaged by Marijuana use.***



- If marijuana is smoked regularly during the teen years, it can significantly lower intelligence (IQ) by up to 8 points in adult life.
- Marijuana use can negatively affect learning, memory, and attention.
- Users are MUCH more likely to get lower grades and drop out of school.



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in preventing and reducing youth substance  
abuse and its negative consequences

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