

NOW MORE THAN EVER IT IS IMPORTANT!

- **To prevent drugged driving!**
- **For parents to talk to their children about the dangers of marijuana use!**
- **For employers to implement and maintain drug free workplace programs!**

THE MARIJUANA MANTRA

TALKING POINTS FOR 2014-2015



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THE MARIJUANA MANTRA: 3 TALKING POINTS

With the normalization, legalization and commercialization of marijuana occurring across the country and the internet, marijuana use is increasing. In the face of those related challenges, responsible citizens will agree with these three very important, self-evident talking points below.

TALKING POINT ONE:

No responsible adult wants to see a teenager get stoned and try to operate a motor vehicle.



An examination of 9 studies over the past 2 decades concluded that drivers who tested positive for marijuana, or who reported using marijuana, are more than twice as likely as other drivers to be involved in motor vehicle crashes. *Epidemiologic Reviews, Volume 34, 2012.*



TALKING POINT TWO:

No caring parent wants her or his child to become addicted to marijuana.



1 in 6 teenagers (17%) who smoke marijuana become addicted to it. *Source: Non-medical use, Anthony JC, et.al., 1994.*

TALKING POINT THREE:

No employer wants to see their employees come to work under the influence of marijuana.



Marijuana users have a 78% increase in absenteeism over non-users, 85% more injuries at work than non-users and 64% more disciplinary problems than non-users.

Source: Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA)