

Inquiry into the use of Cannabis in Victoria

SURVEY QUESTIONS

Drag the statements below to reorder them. In order of priority, please rank the themes you believe are most important for this Inquiry into the use of Cannabis in Victoria to consider:

Accessing and using cannabis, Education, Mental health, Young people and children, Public health, Public safety, Social impacts, Criminal activity

What best describes your interest in our Inquiry? (select all that apply) :

Individual

Are there any additional themes we should consider?

YOUR SUBMISSION

I'm 49 years old and suffer from breast cancer and related disease from treatments, I have found using Cannabis oil effective in managing my nausea and pain.

I am a mother of 6 children all young adults,

We kept my oil in a locked tin and educated our children that it is a medicine and is used carefully just like my other medications.

Access is costly and difficult, monthly monitoring adds to the financial burden and time commitment.

Access could be made more accessible by being able to purchase legally without script via the chemist, just like many other medications are.

The requirement for monitoring and special access fees, and the script mean for me it is unsustainable and unaffordable, I have tried to access the black market, but as a typical middle aged woman, I have no contacts nor can I trust the supply or strength.

If accessible via a chemist or allowed to grow and produce my own oils legally I would not only have a better quality of life, the financial burden would ease and allow me to be self sufficient either by growing or being able to purchase from a pharmacy.

Do you have any additional comments or suggestions?:

I would prefer to use Cannabis over opioids for pain relief, but the way the law stands at the moment I have little choice but to continue upping my opioid doses to control never ending pain.

Select all that apply.

Do you think there should be restrictions on the use of cannabis? :

Personal use of cannabis should be decriminalised.

(Decriminalised: there are no criminal or civil penalties instead a person is referred to a drug diversion program or other health/ treatment service), Personal use of cannabis should be legal. Sale of cannabis should be legal and regulated. Cultivation of cannabis for personal use should be legal.