

Inquiry into the use of Cannabis in Victoria

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Organisation Name:
Your position or role:

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

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

Individual

Are there any additional themes we should consider?

Select all that apply. Do you think there should be restrictions on the use of cannabis? :

Personal use of cannabis should be legal. ,Sale of cannabis should be legal and regulated. ,Cultivation of cannabis for personal use should be legal.

YOUR SUBMISSION

Submission:

It is no doubt important to make sure that there is education, especially for children, around the use of drugs. However in terms of Cannabis there is if course health risks linked to heavy use but that is no different to there being health risks from the use of alcohol and tobacco. Cannabis should be treated more like these drugs which in turn takes supply out of the hands of criminals and brings its use into the light where the public health risks are far easier to manage.

Do you have any additional comments or suggestions?:

The war on drugs originated from a political position and was not about public health. If the health of people who use and/or are addicted to drugs was actually cared about then all drugs would at least be decriminalized and personal use would actually be treated as a health problem and not a criminal one. We should adopt a model far more similar to Portugal's.

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