

Inquiry into the use of Cannabis in Victoria



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::

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

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 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.

YOUR SUBMISSION

Submission:

In the context of a legal and regulated market for cannabis.

- A. Prevent people under 21 from accessing the product. Zoning policy should be used to better locate stores away from visible locations/near schools to more under utilised/industrial areas which removes the ability for children to normalise seeing it in use
- B. Use tax policy to promote use of cannabis in the form of vaping. Current research suggests this has better health outcomes and reduces the association with smoking.
- C. Prevent advertising of cannabis and include health warnings on most products similar to alcohol labelling
- D. Using low tax rates during initially legality of cannabis to undercut the black market. Research from Canada suggests that lack of stores near population will promote the black market even when legal. Availability of stores is key, as current dealers will deliver compared to proposed shops which most likely will not.
- E. Follow up studies to assess the impacts over time

Do you have any additional comments or suggestions?:

Limit the upper limit of THC in any single dose serving of cannabis to a safe dose for the average female. This will create trust among consumers of not consuming too much without knowing the risks.

FILE ATTACHMENTS

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