



Inquiry into the Use of Cannabis in Victoria - Youth Forum

Discussion questions worksheet

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Discussion 1: How can we improve education about cannabis and other drugs in Victoria?

- Stop sensationalizing negative effects of Cannabis - this builds a distrust between students and the education system

- Remove stigmas about Cannabis and instead educate about the potential medical benefits

- Show positive stories and role models that use Cannabis to show people you can be successful and consume Cannabis

- Normalize and accept people that use Cannabis just like we accept alcohol drinkers



**Discussion 2: The impacts of cannabis use and how the Government can deliver better services.**

- Educate people to use Cannabis in healthiest ways possible (vape, edibles)

- Educate people on the harms and likelihood of the harms depending on your DNA sequence

- Government can deliver better services by educating our doctors & offering courses or Professional Learning for doctors



**Discussion 3: Cannabis and the law – how cannabis prohibition affects young people?**

- Over regulated and creates  
unneeded stress and anxiety

- Drug driving needs to be changed  
to check for impairment not  
presence - law is ruining peoples lives.

- Creates a stigma on users

- People are punished for "crimes"  
where nobody is a victim



Discussion 4: Should cannabis be decriminalised and/or legalised in Victoria?

\*Why should it be illegal? - Real question

- Can be legalized, taxed and used to pour money back into society via new schools, hospitals etc

- Safer to use than alcohol & tobacco so people should be encouraged to use Cannabis instead

- Carefully market similar to tobacco

- 100% should be decriminalized and legalized

- Why should Cannabis be associated with a criminal record?

It is a victimless crime to consume or possess Cannabis, so it should be legal.

- Completely hypocritical to criminalize Cannabis  
\*legalizing would create so ~~much~~ many jobs

- Need money from Covid