

Cannabis Conversations

Safe Storage of Cannabis

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From 2020 to 2022, the Michigan Poison and Drug Information Center, which takes calls from across the state, recorded 801 incidents of cannabis toxicity among children ages 5 and younger.



From 2020 to 2023, cases of unintentional cannabis use by children ages 4-13 grew by 60%.

A safe storage plan can help lower the risk of accidental ingestion.

Making a Safe Storage Plan

- Make a list of cannabis products in your home. Knowing exactly what cannabis products you have in your home can help with medical treatment in case of accidental ingestion.
- Store cannabis products in their original containers and keep the label. Labels on cannabis products from licensed cannabis establishments will have important information including how much THC is in the product.
- Be sure all cannabis products are kept in child-resistant packaging, clearly labeled, and locked up. Children should not be able to see or reach the locked products. Consider using a safe or lockbox with a combination lock or keypad.

Accidental Ingestion

If a child or pet consumes cannabis or THC, they may need immediate medical help. Symptoms to watch out for can include: problems walking or sitting up, difficulty breathing, or becoming sleepy.

If a child may have ingested cannabis or THC, call the Poison Control Hotline at (800) 222-1222. If symptoms are severe, call 911 or go to an emergency room immediately.

The Poison Help Hotline is available 24/7/365.

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