

Does your child know the difference?



Would you?

Edibles without clear labeling - or homemade edibles - can be especially dangerous for young children.

Marijuana infused edibles are food items made with marijuana or marijuana oils which are used as an alternative to smoking. They come in different food items and drink items such as brownies, cookies, gummie-shaped candies, syrups, coffee and even popcorn.

Recently Amador County has had multiple children brought to the ER after accidentally ingesting marijuana.



What You Need to Know

- Eating too much can cause severe reactions including nausea, vomiting, disorientation, anxiety and even psychotic reactions making children do things they wouldn't normally do.
- Not all ER doctors would know to ask if a child had ingested a marijuana edible and might be unable to diagnose properly.
- A parent, caregiver or babysitter may not realize a child has accidentally ingested an edible.
- It is vital that all extended family members educate themselves about this issue in order to ensure children are not exposed to accidental ingestion.
- Label all edibles and keep them out of reach of children!

How long does it take for the effects to show up?

It may take 1-3 or more hours to take full effect, where the effects from smoking marijuana appear in minutes.



How long do the effects last?

Many users can be caught off-guard by the stronger potency. The effects can last hours, depending on dose and how fast it metabolizes in an individual's body.

How much THC is in an edible?

The amount of THC, the main psychoactive ingredient in marijuana, can vary from edible to edible, especially in homemade items and can be unpredictable.

**If you think a child has ingested marijuana call the
Poison Control Center 1-800-222-1222**

It's our job as adults to keep kids safe.