

**The Health Effects of Cannabis and Cannabinoids:  
The Current State of Evidence and Recommendations for Research**

*Stakeholders Engagement Meeting*

February 21, 2017

National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine  
National Academy of Sciences Building  
Lecture Room  
2101 Constitution Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20001

- 9:45 am Welcome, Introductions, and Order of Events  
*Dr. Rose Marie Martinez, Board Director*
- 9:50 am Overview of Study Process and Report's Key Messages  
*Dr. Marie McCormick, Committee Chair*
- 10:05 am Question and Answer Session with Representatives of the Committee
- 10:30 am **Panel 1: Advancing Cannabis Research**  
(Moderator: Dr. Sachin Patel, Committee Member)
- Panelists:
- **Dr. Elizabeth Anne Thiele**  
*Director, Pediatric Epilepsy Program*  
*Director, Carol and James Herscot Center for Tuberous Sclerosis Complex*  
*Professor of Neurology, Harvard Medical School*
  - **Dr. Ryan Vandrey**  
*Associate Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences*  
*Johns Hopkins University*
  - **Dr. Gayathri Dowling**  
*Director, Adolescent Brain and Cognitive Development Project*  
*The National Institute on Drug Abuse*
- 11:30 am Question and Answer session
- 12:00 pm Break for Lunch (a cafeteria is available on the lower level)

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1:00 pm **Panel 2: Addressing Barriers to Policy, Surveillance, and Funding**  
(Moderator: Dr. Robert Wallace, Committee Member)

Panelists:

- **Dr. Teddy Scott**  
*CEO and Co-Founder of PharmaCann LLC*
- **Dr. Staci Gruber**  
*Director, Cognitive and Clinical Neuroimaging Core  
Director, Marijuana Investigations for Neuroscientific Discovery  
(MIND), McLean Hospital  
Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School*
- **Dr. A. Eden Evins**  
*Director, Center for Addiction Medicine at Massachusetts  
General Hospital  
Principal Investigator, Associate Professor, Harvard Medical  
School  
Science Advisory Board, Smart Approaches to Marijuana*

2:15 pm Question and Answer session

2:45 pm Break

3:00 pm **Panel 3: The Legalization of Cannabis and Increased Cannabis Use:  
Effects on Public Health**  
(Moderator: Dr. Ziva Cooper, Committee Member)

Panelists:

- **Dr. Karen Smith**  
*Director, California Department of Public Health*
- **Dr. Jay Butler**  
*Chief Medical Officer, Alaska Department of Health & Social  
Services and Director of the Division of Public Health  
President, Association of State and Territorial Health Officials*

4:00 pm Question and Answer session

4:30 pm Adjourn Open Session