



July 1, 2022

In the News



Psychosis, addiction, chronic vomiting: As weed becomes more Potent, teens are getting sick

Marijuana shouldn't be as harmful as a drug like fentanyl, however it could have probably dangerous results — particularly for younger individuals, whose brains are nonetheless creating. Along with uncontrollable vomiting and dependency, adolescents who regularly use excessive doses of hashish could expertise psychosis that would result in a lifelong psychiatric dysfunction, an elevated chance of creating melancholy and suicidal ideation, modifications in mind anatomy and connectivity and poor reminiscence

[Read more here](#)

CCoVA Legislative Advocacy is Year Round

Getting the Message Across.....

New Legislation Taking Place in Virginia

The Virginia General Assembly has approved new laws to take place regarding Heroin/Opioids/Opiates | Cannabis/THC, Marijuana | Alcohol |Tobacco | along with other various bills relating to usage or consumption of any mentioned substance. **Many of these bills will take effect beginning July 1st**with few having delayed effective dates as far out as January 1st, 2023.

[Click here](#) to view the list of approved bills that are soon to take effect.

The right choice is to use your voice.



**PUBLIC
OPINION
CHANGES
LEGISLATION.**

Laws of Particular Interest

Medical Marijuana

- Virginians who want a medical marijuana license won't need to register with the state, but people will still need approval from one of the nearly 750 medical cannabis practitioners registered in the state. The change will allow medical cannabis patients to buy marijuana products from dispensaries after receiving a certificate from a registered practitioner.

Alcohol Laws

- A new law will allow cocktails to-go and alcoholic drinks for delivery until 2024 thanks to a bill that creates a third-party license allowing the holder to deliver alcoholic beverages bought from businesses with licenses from the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority.

July is BIPOC Mental Health Month

Formally recognized in June 2008 (and currently designated as), **Bebe Moore Campbell National Minority Mental Health Awareness Month** was created to bring awareness to the unique struggles that underrepresented groups face in regard to mental illness in the US. **Bebe Moore Campbell** was an American author, journalist, teacher, and **mental health**



advocate who worked tirelessly to shed light on the mental health needs of the Black community and other underrepresented communities.

Job Announcements

VT Recovery Community Assistant Director:

To lead and grow the collegiate recovery movement and develop its Recovery Community [Apply here](#)

Coming this Fall! - CADCA's Mini Academy



Lexington, VA

Week 1: September 13-15

Week 2: November 15-17

*Hosted by:
Rockbridge Area CSB and DBHDS - OBHW*

Additional details included in the below link:

[CADCA Mini Academy Flyer](#)

This two week in-person mini-academy is an abbreviated version of CADCA's 3 week National Coalition Academy, a comprehensive training program that teaches coalition leaders (staff and volunteers) the skills and processes necessary to implement SAMHSA's Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF.)

Registration Deadline= August 15th

[REGISTER HERE](#)



The **Network of Public Health and Law** recognizes the growing and intensified demand that long-standing social and structural barriers that drive health disparities among people of color, people with disabilities, low-income people, and people with less education be addressed. As pressure grows to confront and eradicate these barriers, there is also a call to reexamine other longstanding law and policy approaches, including the regulation of cannabis.

Join us for a Summit on the quickly changing landscape of law and policy in both health equity and cannabis, including the public health response to growing disparities that were exacerbated by the pandemic, and the broad spectrum of public health and policy issues that have surfaced as more states contemplate cannabis legalization.

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June 29th @ 3:00pm - Trauma Informed Relapse Prevention- Free Webinar [NAADAC](#)

July 12th @ 9:00am - Trauma Informed Considerations: Exploring the Intersections of Trauma, Substance Use, Mental Health and [ORN](#)

July 13th @ 12:00pm - Adverse Childhood Experiences and Substance Use Disorders: Understanding the Relationship Between ACES & SUD and Establishing a Treatment [Caron](#)

July 17th- 20th: Virginia Summer Institute for Addiction Studies
[Register here](#)

July 20th @ 3:00pm - Your Journey to Entering the Recovery Coach Workforce- Free Webinar [NAADAC](#)

**CCoVA is taking a Summer Break....
but our planning continues!**

Workgroups and the Eboard will continue to meet over the next few months with regular member meetings resuming in the fall.

Mark your calendar for the next Member Meetings & check back for registration:

- September 12
- October 3
- November 7
- December 5

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