



Just the Facts

**The legalization
of cannabis on
Prince Edward
Island**



“The federal *Cannabis Act* (C-45) of June 2018 paved the way to the legalization of cannabis in Canada on October 17, 2018.





What is CANNABIS?

Cannabis is a product of the plant
cannabis sativas.

The main active ingredient is **THC**.



What is CANNABIS?

Another active ingredient is
cannabinoids, also known as **CBD**.

CBD does not cause a “high” like THC
and its effects are being studied.

What does cannabis look like?

- Cannabis is from dried flowers, fruiting tops and leaves from the plant.
- Commonly greenish or brownish colour.





Terms for cannabis

Marijuana

Dab

Dope

Ganja

Grass

Green

Bud

Joint

MaryJane

MJ

Pot

Skunk

Blunt

Smoke

Trees

Wax

Weed

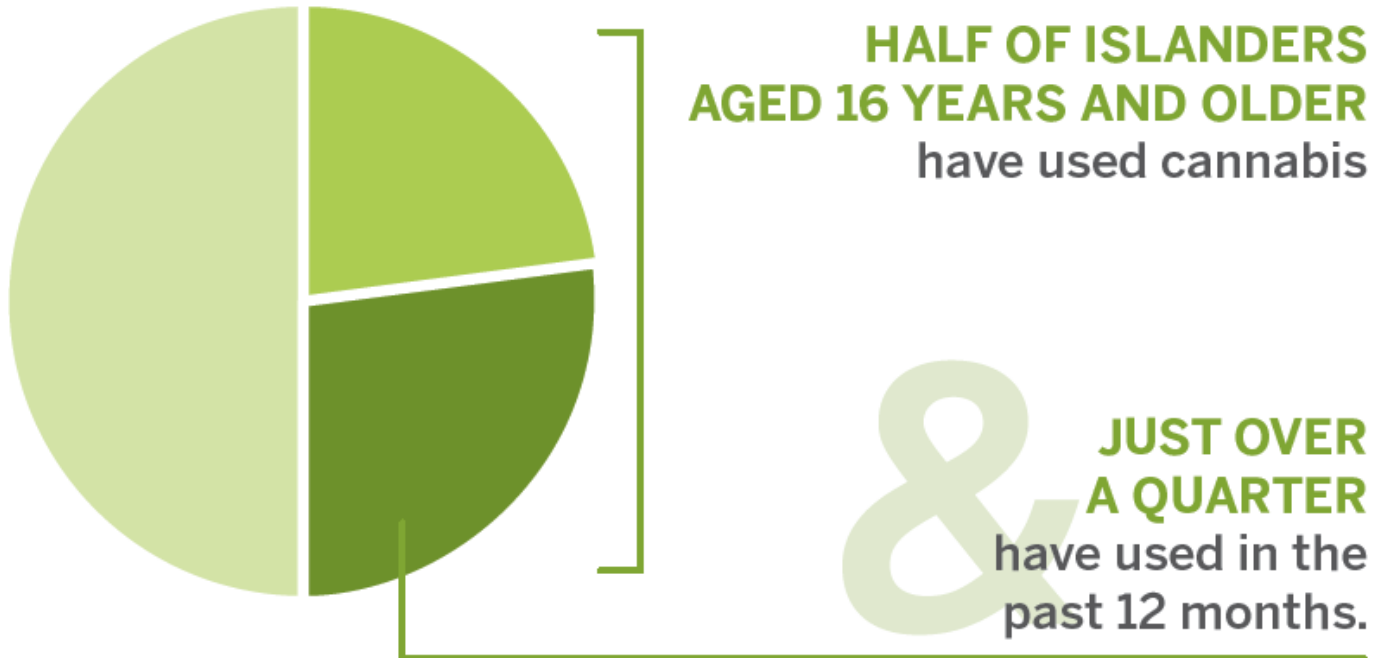


JUST THE FACTS

The information you
need to make the
right call on cannabis.



CANNABIS USE is common in PEI and is likely to increase.



Many people who currently use **CANNABIS** are engaging in higher risk behaviours.



Daily or near daily cannabis use.



Beginning cannabis use at a younger age.



Using cannabis with a poor mental health status.



Using high-potency cannabis products.



Using combusted cannabis products.



Using cannabis in combination with alcohol and tobacco.

Other

Reported higher risk behaviors included:



Driving within 6 hours of cannabis use or being a passenger of someone who used within six hours.



Using cannabis to get stoned or high before or while at school or at work.

LESS
THAN
50%


OF INDIVIDUALS
RESPONDED
CORRECTLY
THAT.....

- Cannabis has short-term and long-term health risks.
- Cannabis with higher THC than CBD is unsafe.
- Cannabis edibles should not be eaten on an empty stomach.
- Cannabis use with alcohol is unsafe.
- Synthetic cannabinoids increase health risks.

ISLANDERS KNEW THAT PEOPLE UNDER AGE
19 SHOULD NOT CONSUME CANNABIS

& THAT CANNABIS
IS UNSAFE DURING
PREGNANCY





In Canada, each province and territory governs its own sale of cannabis.



KNOW THE LAWS

ON

Cannabis

- **19+** to buy, possess or grow cannabis in PEI.
- Adults can carry up to **30 grams** of dried cannabis in public. No limits on how much you can have in your home.
- **Four plants per house** – max.
- It is **illegal to use cannabis in public spaces**.
- **No sharing with minors.**
- In a vehicle, cannabis must be kept in a **sealed container** out of reach of driver and any passengers.
- **It is always illegal and unsafe to drive impaired.**





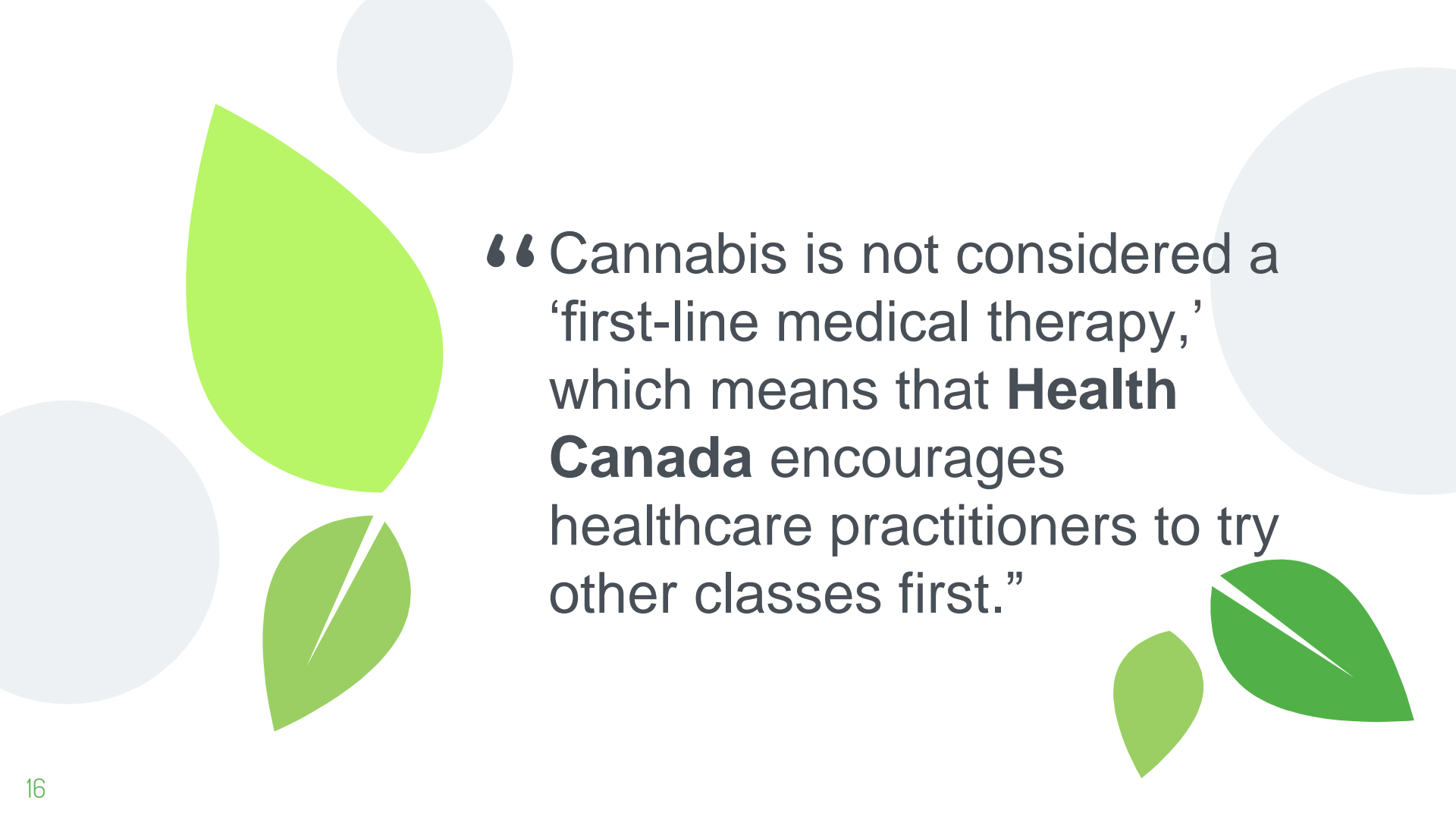
EDIBLES

In 2020, the IWK had 25 cases of children eating cannabis edibles; a jump over the two years previous.



Keep cannabis stored securely out of reach of children & pets.

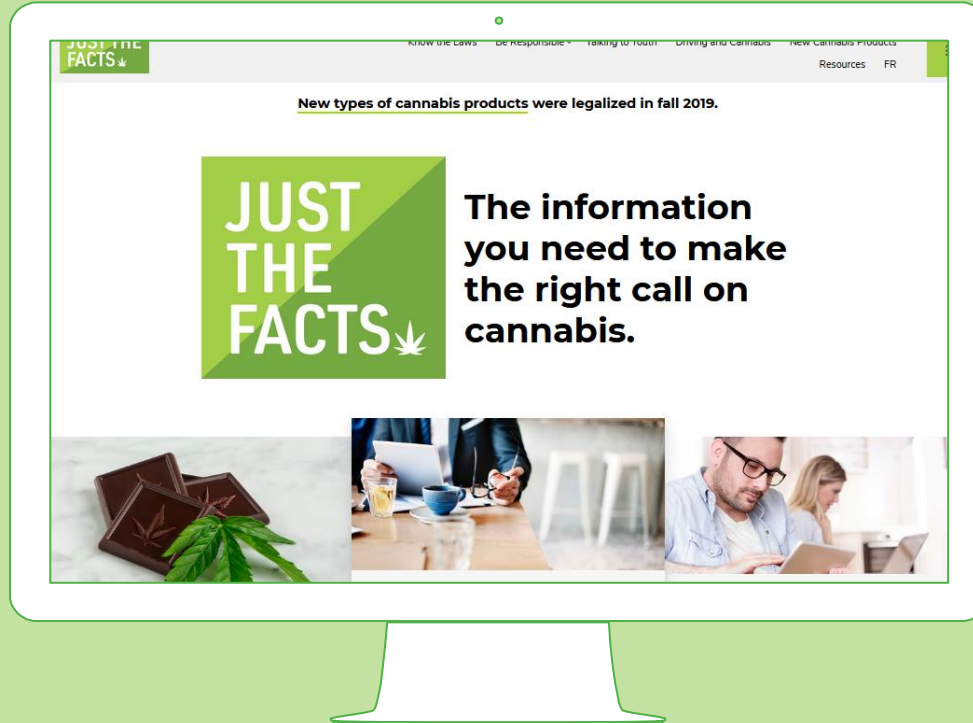




“Cannabis is not considered a ‘first-line medical therapy,’ which means that **Health Canada** encourages healthcare practitioners to try other classes first.”



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Quiz

1. When did cannabis become legal in Canada?
2. Name two chemicals found in cannabis?
3. What colour is the cannabis plant?
4. According the survey noted, how many PEI residents have used cannabis?
5. What is the legal age to purchase cannabis in PEI?
6. How should cannabis be stored?
7. Where can cannabis be consumed in public?
8. How many cannabis plants can an adult have?
9. Are all edible products legal in Prince Edward Island?
10. What are some common medical uses for cannabis?





DISCUSSION



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