FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Office of Medical Marijuana Use

Florida's Official Source for Medical Use

Know the Facts: Safe Storage

Medical marijuana is available in Florida for qualified patients. However, just like with any medicine, medical marijuana can be potentially harmful if accidentally consumed by young children.

If you have medical marijuana in your home, take the below precautions to ensure the safety of your children and young visitors to your home:

Store medical marijuana in a place out of children's reach and sight

■ Children are curious and put all sorts of things in their mouths. Pick a storage place in your home that children cannot reach or see – preferably behind lock and key.

Consider purchasing a medication lock box

■ Children of all ages have a way of getting into anything – even medical marijuana products. A lock box provides a safe, convenient and affordable method for securing medical marijuana products in the home or while traveling.

Put medical marijuana away after every use

It's important to always put medical marijuana back in its safe storage location, even if you have to use it again in a few hours. Never leave medical marijuana products unattended on a kitchen counter or bedside table.

Be prepared in case of an emergency

■ Call the **Poison Control Center** at (800) 222-1222 right away if you think your child accidentally consumed medical marijuana. Program the number into your phone so you will have it when you need it!

For More Information:

Go to **KnowTheFactsMMJ.com** or call **800-808-9580**

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