

It's maybe the most important thing that everyone be made aware WHY THE MEDICAL MJ PATIENTS OF NEVADA ARE NOT SATISFIED WITH THE LEVEL OF TRANSPARENCY SURROUNDING THE PRODUCTION OF CANNABIS CONCENTRATES AND INFUSED PRODUCTS:

We want you to know we take particular issue with cannabis concentrates because our vulnerable patients are being railroaded onto a system that allows for all manner of failed cannabis to be repurposed upon failed testing; into products without ANY measure of required transparency. So now, patients have no idea (and currently they have no right to find out) if what they're consuming when it comes to concentrated cannabis, is of a repurposed product. This is a horrendous oversight and due to our inability to test for all potentially harmful fungal and microbial toxins, it's akin to playing with fire and our own subject matter experts will tell you the same.

We're experiencing HUGE oversight issues involving the follow-up testing of concentrated cannabis product and for medical marijuana patients, this is an emergency situation that needs to be resolved IMMEDIATELY!

Let me try to explain it simply: As cannabis fails testing for mold or contaminants (anything but pesticides) it gets repurposed into concentrates to become edibles, topicals, and smokable products. But none of our experts would EVER try to argue that this repurposed cannabis is actually safe for consumption by medical patients, who typically suffer from weakened immune systems.

Since establishing the original medical marijuana testing regulations in 2015, science has greatly evolved to acknowledge how the various toxins and pathogens, as well as the various pesticides (which may be at safe levels prior to processing), concentrate down during its repurposing. Those concentrated products are currently NOT re-tested to establish specific safety levels, even though it was put into law by Sandoval's Task Force. Patients are aware that what this means is: NOTHING in circulation within the commercial market, at this time, can be deemed "safe" for medical marijuana patients to consume. Certainly NOT with the testing and transparency standards we've implemented!

As it's regulated now, patients AREN'T allowed to know what comprises the cannabis products they're consuming. If we're to call a spade a spade, patients are now telling you that marijuana's regulation has been entirely propped up for the main purpose of turning a quick profit and medical patients absolutely CAN'T live with these standards!

Patients need to know what they're consuming and how their products are being produced.

Which brings me to the other disaster, in regards to consumer safety. Nevada has been facing a serious issue with what scientists call "accidental synthesis". It's something that happens between chemicals when things are pressurized, heated, and otherwise handled or processed in a way which makes chemicals react. When chemicals are introduced to each other in a way that causes them to react with each other, sometimes they combine to make entirely new chemical compounds and that's become a serious issue here in Nevada. Our experts refer to this as 'accidentally synthesized' chemicals and it's reported that they're being misread by the lab testing equipment as cannabinoids and other beneficial elements, which they are DEFINITELY NOT! CO2 extraction and the extraction of material with large amounts of regulated and unregulated pesticide residue as well as heavy metals such as nickel* have been presenting serious issues and we need the correct eyes on the situation, pronto!

These are just SOME of the reasons I come before you to plead the patients' case. I want to make it clear to everyone on the panel and in attendance, that Nevada's medical marijuana patients need this committee's help to figure out how BEST to address ALL the most serious testing issues we currently face. So far the industry seemingly refuses to accurately acknowledge our precarious situation.

And I want you to consider that as Nevada's most dedicated and most adamant medical marijuana patient lobbyist, I know I'm not allowed to misrepresent or exaggerate or otherwise lie, so everything I tell you, although it sounds outlandish to you maybe, is in fact true. I'm Nevada's most experienced and most trusted medical marijuana patient advocate and I'm also their lobbyist which is why I'm begging you for help...

**OUR MEDICAL MARIJUANA PATIENTS DESPERATELY REQUIRE
LEGISLATIVE PROTECTION.**

*Nickel is a catalyst for chemical reaction.