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## Marijuana in spotlight

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Concerns were raised in this article that teenagers and adults are not properly informed about the health risks associated with cannabis use, including the large amount of evidence linking it to memory loss, schizophrenia and psychosis. It describes the importance of a recently released Australian Medical Association (AMA) brochure for GPs to distribute to patients about the short and long-term effects of cannabis use. The fact that doctors have a prime opportunity to educate their patients about the accurate implications of cannabis use was emphasized by AMA President Rosanna Capolingua.