

# UPDATES OF ACTIVITIES UNDER HB 21-1317

## EVIDENCE REVIEW REPORT

- [Report of Scoping Review Available Here](#)
- [American Journal of Public Health Publication](#)
- [Interactive Evidence Map](#)
- [Policy Approaches to High-Concentration Cannabis and THC Concentrates](#)

## NEXT SCIENTIFIC REVIEW COUNCIL MEETING:

TBD

## REMINDER:

**Note:** We offer the reminder that our activities under HB 1317 are directed at high-concentration marijuana and THC concentrates and not at cannabis and THC generally. The scoping review available on our [project website](#) is subject to this specific focus. For those seeking information on marijuana and concentrates generally, there are general resources available, such as the CDC's [Marijuana and Public Health](#) page and NIDA's [Cannabis \(Marijuana\) DrugFacts](#) page. This report and the scope of our work under the charge of HB 1317 do not address cannabinoids other than THC.

## Updates from the Cannabis Research and Policy Project

Welcome to the seventh newsletter from the Cannabis Research and Policy Project. Since the last newsletter, our team has completed the next update to the scoping review of research studies. We assessed 6,000 new publications from this past year. Ninety-nine studies met our inclusion criteria from the initial review, and we are pleased to announce that the studies were added to the publicly available [interactive evidence map](#). We plan to update the scoping review and tableau dashboard over the course of the project.

Based on the updated scoping review, we have completed an in-depth systematic review of the scientific evidence on studies addressing high-concentration cannabis products and mental health. We are preparing a report for the scientific literature.

In June, we gathered multidisciplinary researchers in a workshop to how to improve research methods for studying cannabis. The scoping review documented problems needing attention, particularly related to capturing the products used by research participants and how they use them. The workshop also addressed the challenges of surveillance in the face of a rapidly changing marketplace. A report on the workshop's recommendations will be submitted to a journal.

The education campaign team continues to review and analyze the evaluations received on the events hosted in support of the [Tea on THC](#) campaign. We plan to have a summary of the findings available to share at the next Scientific Review Council (SRC).

We are pleased to announce the release of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine 2024 report: Cannabis Policy Impacts Public Health and Health Equity. Dr. Ashley Brooks-Russell, Associate Professor in the Colorado School of Public Health and team member, served on the committee that developed this report. The consensus study report is accessible [here](#).

Finally, we are planning to hold a Scientific Review Council meeting next month to provide an update on the ongoing reviews and activities of the educational campaign team. Information about the meeting will be available on the [project website](#).