

IMPACT OF CANNABIS ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE

Singapore must stay drug-free to prevent harm to our population and society.

Cannabis is addictive and harmful

Singapore's stand on illicit drugs, including cannabis, is clear – they are harmful, addictive and can destroy lives, families and communities.

Short Term Effects:



Hallucination



Paranoia

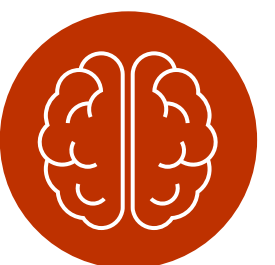


Visual Disturbance



Hypotension

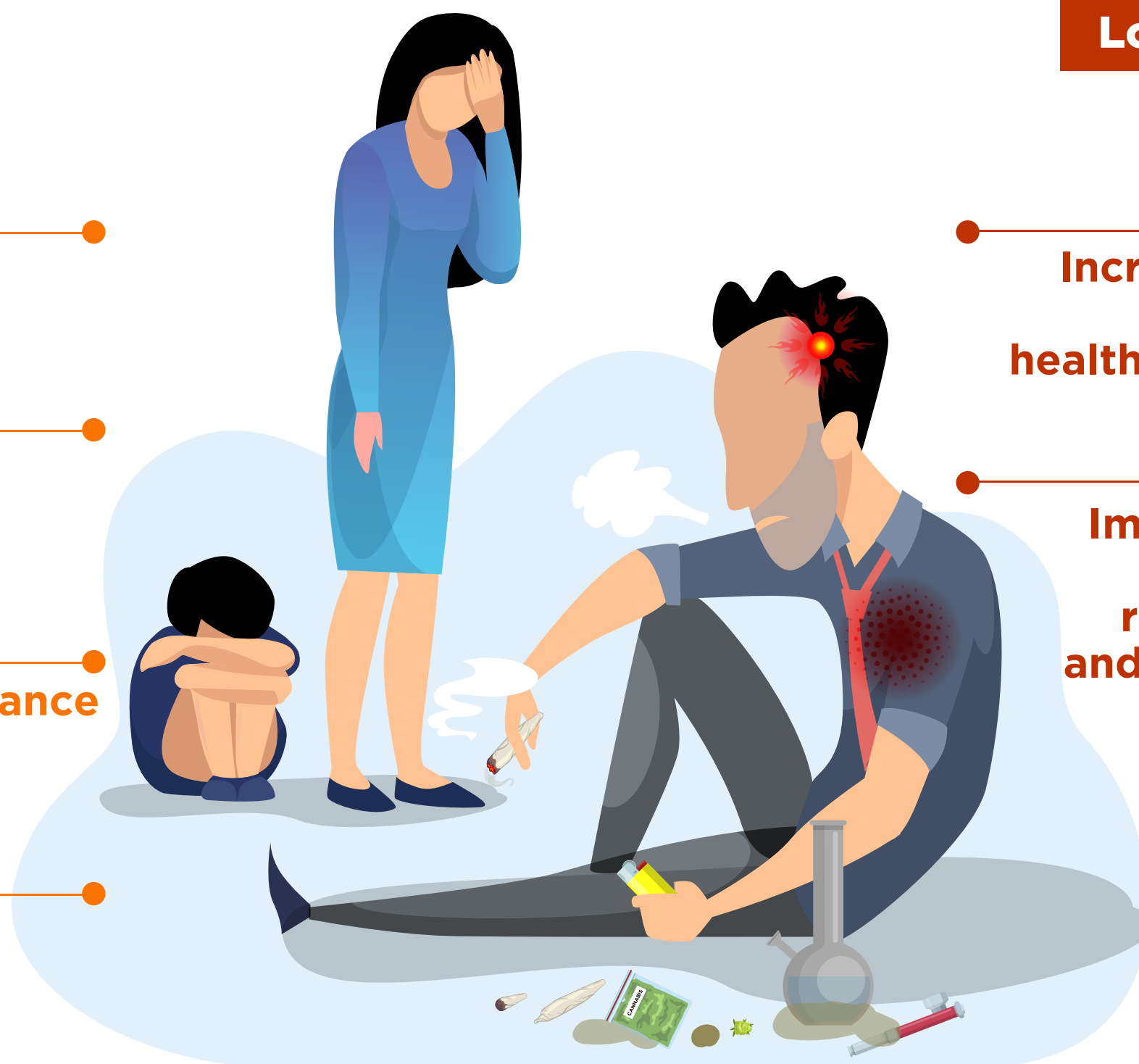
Long Term Effects:



Increased risk of mental health disorders



Impairments to the respiratory and cognitive functions



Limited scientific evidence on the therapeutic use of cannabinoids

- Singapore's drug control policies are underpinned by evidence and research.
- To date, there is no scientific evidence on the safety and efficacy of raw cannabis use for medical purposes. However, there is some research derived from controlled clinical trials which exhibits the potential therapeutic use of pharmaceutical cannabinoids to manage seizures and epilepsy¹.
- Singapore will continue to allow the safe and controlled access to evidence-based medical treatment options.

¹ Cannabinoids are chemical compounds found in the cannabis plant, which can be processed into pharmaceutical products such as oral solutions and sprays and administered by doctors for specific medical conditions.