

Marijuana: Risks for the Primary Care Doc

Contraindications:

- ⌘ Hypersensitivity to Cannabinoids
- ⌘ Cardiovascular Diseases including:
 - Arrhythmia
 - Heart failure (any kind)
 - Poorly regulated Hypertension
 - Ischemic heart disease
- ⌘ History of Psychotic Disorders
 - (Schizophrenia, Schizoaffective)
- ⌘ Family History of Psychotic Disorders
- ⌘ History of Drug Abuse
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- ⌘ Males intending to start a family
- ⌘ Children less than 18 years old
- ⌘ Pregnant or breast feeding females

Serious Risks:

- ⌘ Severe Psychiatric Side effects
 - Psychosis
 - Anxiety
 - Mood Disorder
- ⌘ CNS Depression
 - Decreased Cognitive Performance
 - Impairs Short Term Memory
 - Impairs Attention, Coordination and Balance
 - Impairs Judgment
 - Impairs motor skills.
 - IMPAIRED DRIVING
- ⌘ Tachycardia
- ⌘ Drug Abuse Potential
- ⌘ Hepatic Dysfunction – Transaminitis

Interactions:

- ⌘ CNS Depressants adverse effects are enhanced
- ⌘ Anticholinergics increase tachycardia with marijuana
- ⌘ Cocaine worsens tachycardia with marijuana
- ⌘ Sympathomimetics can worsen tachycardia with marijuana

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