

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comments Request 0930-0110 National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH) 86 FR 17614 (April 05, 2021)
Summary of Comments and SAMHSA's Responses as of 06/04/2020**

| Comment Number | Date Received | Organizations | Summary of Comments | SAMHSA's Response |
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| 1 | 4/4/2021 | Chela Fiorini Alz Notes | The commenter recommended replacing "marijuana/marihuana" or any similar slang or slur and use the proper term, cannabis | The current questionnaire includes the following terminology: "marijuana and cannabis products, sometimes called pot, weed, hashish, or concentrates." We keep a wide variety of definitions in the survey to be inclusive of all terms that respondents may have heard of/use to describe marijuana/cannabis. |
| 2 | 4/4/2021 | Chela Fiorini Alz Notes | The commenter recommended asking for reasons for using cannabis | SAMHSA appreciates the comment but there is insufficient space to collect reasons for use of all illicit drugs in the survey. We do ask respondents "Was all of your marijuana or cannabis product use in the past 12 months recommended by a doctor or other health care professional?" |
| 3 | 4/4/2021 | Chela Fiorini Alz Notes | The commenter recommended asking the age of users | SAMHSA currently includes age of marijuana users in the NSDUH survey. |
| 4 | 6/3/2021 | M. David Dobbins Chief Operatin Officer Truth Initiative | The commenter recommended changing the wording of the introduction to the vaping section to include brand names. | SAMHSA appreciates the comment but will not be making the recommended revision. Extensive cognitive testing was done on the new vaping questions and testing showed that the wording selected was the most appropriate. |
| 5 | 6/3/2021 | M. David Dobbins Chief Operatin Officer Truth Initiative | The commenter recommended changing the wording for variables VPLIF, VPLIFREF, VPFT, VPFTYRa, VPFTYRb, VPFTMOa, VPFTMOb, VPPM, VPREC, VPREC DK, CPRECREf, CRRMNUM, VPPMNUNR from "vape nicotine with an e-cigarette or other vaping device?" to "use an e-cigarette or other vaping device with nicotine?" | SAMHSA appreciates the comment but will not be making the recommended revision as the wording was selected to clearly delineate vaping nicotine as opposed to other substances. As suggested, someone may not understand that we want to know about using e-cigarettes with nicotine or may think they are two separate categories (using an e-cigarette and/or vaping device with nicotine). Tested and people understood wording. |
| 6 | 6/3/2021 | M. David Dobbins Chief Operatin Officer Truth Initiative | The commenter recommended changing VPPMNUNR from a categorical to a continuous variable. | SAMHSA has already included this variable as a continuous variable in the 2022 NSDUH survey instrument. Located directly before VPPMNUNR, VPPMNUM asks respondents the number of days they vaped nicotine with an e-cigarette or other vaping device during the past 30 days. Respondents who answers with 'don't know' or refused to answer VPPMNUM are then asked a categorical version of the question (VPPMNUNR). |
| 7 | 6/3/2021 | M. David Dobbins Chief Operatin Officer Truth Initiative | The commenter recommended adding an additional question about the type of e-cigarette used. | SAMHSA appreciates the recommendation but there is insufficient space in the 2022 NSDUH for the suggested addition. |
| 8 | 6/3/2021 | M. David Dobbins Chief Operatin Officer Truth Initiative | The commenter recommended adding an additional question about the brand of e-cigarette used. | SAMHSA appreciates the recommendation but there is insufficient space in the 2022 NSDUH for the suggested addition. |
| 9 | 6/3/2021 | M. David Dobbins Chief Operatin Officer Truth Initiative | The commenter recommended asking about the use of heated tobacco products. | SAMHSA appreciates the recommendation but there is insufficient space in the 2022 NSDUH for the suggested addition. |
| 10 | 6/3/2021 | M. David Dobbins Chief Operatin Officer Truth Initiative | The commenter recommended asking about the use of nicotine pouches. | SAMHSA appreciates the recommendation but there is insufficient space in the 2022 NSDUH for the suggested addition. |

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| 11 | 6/4/2021 | Mary-Sumpter Lapinski Vice President, Global Government Affairs Greenwich Biosciences | The commenter recommended making CBD its own module or moving to emerging issues module | SAMHSA appreciates the recommendation. The module is currently set up so that CBD questions appear before marijuana questions as to not confuse or lead respondents. Cognitive testing was done on this module and this order was found to lead to less respondent confusion and error. |
| 12 | 6/4/2021 | Mary-Sumpter Lapinski Vice President, Global Government Affairs Greenwich Biosciences | The commenter recommended expanding the ways in which marijuana is consumed (e.g. oils, tinctures, topicals, vaping, flower, beverages, edibles, and all other ingestible forms) | SAMHSA already included this expanded terminology in the 2022 NSDUH survey instrument. The exact wording is "The next questions are about marijuana and cannabis products, sometimes called pot, weed, hashish, or concentrates. Some of the ways these products can be used are smoking (such as in joints, pipes, bongs, blunts, or hookahs), vaping (using vape pens, dab pens, tabletop vaporizers, or portable vaporizers), dabbing, eating or drinking, or applying as a lotion." |
| 13 | 6/4/2021 | Mary-Sumpter Lapinski Vice President, Global Government Affairs Greenwich Biosciences | The commenter recommended expanding questions about purchasing to include establishments authorized under state law to sell and dispense marijuana. | SAMHSA already includes a question in the 2022 NSDUH such as this "The last time you bought marijuana or cannabis products, did you buy it from either a store or dispensary?" (MJE06) |
| 14 | 9/30/2021 | Paige C. Magness Senior Vice President, Regulatory Affairs Altria Client Services | The commenter recommended asking about the use of nicotine pouches and heated tobacco products. | SAMHSA appreciates the recommendation but there is insufficient space in the 2022 NSDUH for the suggested addition. |
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