

Aubree Adams

Aubree Adams is a Colorado mom. Her son was exposed to marijuana and marijuana edibles in the 8th grade, soon after Colorado legalized and commercialized marijuana in 2014. He had access to these products at school and at his friend's homes. Unfortunately, he started to self-harm, and then experienced a psychotic break during his freshman year in high school, during which he tried to kill himself.

After 2 hospitalizations, her son admitted to her that he was dabbing. Dabbing is smoking a high THC resin that you heat up with a butane torch. Dabs are made and sold legally by the commercialized marijuana industry. He said "I was dabbing and it made me feel crazy so I was trying to quit, it's like crack weed."

Her son continued a cycle of addiction and mental illness for the next couple of years, and even progressed to other drugs like meth and heroin. He is now in recovery, and admits marijuana almost killed him and was his gateway to other drugs.

Aubree feels her son survived his suicide attempt, for a reason. She spends a lot of time educating and raising awareness of the harms of marijuana. She speaks out against legalizing marijuana. She feels health and safety is more important than someone's freedom to be impaired. She also objects to an industry that makes money off the addiction and destruction of others. She is saddened that the harmful effects of marijuana are now being minimized. She wants people to know that marijuana alone can be deadly and legalizing marijuana only enhances the war on drugs and the addiction rate. Colorado's suicide rate is nearly 50% higher than that of the nation as a whole and is increasing at double the national rate of increase. Marijuana use increases the risk for suicide by 7-fold.

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Photo: Aubree's sons.