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SAFE Glen Cove Coalition: What We Know About Vaping

A recent article in The Washington Post discusses vaping in the United States and what experts are saying regarding the dangerous health consequences related to this new nationwide “epidemic”.

As we know there has been a ban on flavored e-cigarettes. Federal data indicates more than 2,600 cases have been reported that are connected to vaping or e-cigarettes and the Centers for Disease Control and prevention (CDC) has recently confirmed that there are now 57 deaths throughout 27 states due to this vaping epidemic.

One advancement that the CDC has made in their research is identifying vitamin E acetate which is a synthetic form of vitamin E. It is the ester of acetic acid and α -tocopherol. The CDC maintains vitamin E acetate is strongly correlated to the 2019 outbreak of vaping-associated pulmonary injury (VAPI), but there is not yet sufficient evidence to rule out contributions from other chemicals. The number of individuals that are presenting with lung-associated illness are quickly increasing, though state officials are now questioning if this is new or just newly recognized. There have been 2,602 official cases of vaping-related illness in 2020 and those who have deceased due to VAPI were between the ages of 15-75 years old, most of whom were males.

The CDC encourages providing awareness and prevention education to youth population, as well as to community members to avoid the dangerous health consequences associated with vaping.

The Washington Post is a major American daily newspaper published in Washington, D.C that provides breaking news and analysis on politics, business, world national news and entertainment. For more information please visit www.washingtonpost.com.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is a federal agency that conducts and supports health promotion, prevention and preparedness activities in the United States, with the goal of improving overall public health. To learn more about the CDC please visit www.cdc.gov.

SAFE, Inc. is the only alcohol and substance abuse prevention, intervention and education agency in the City of Glen Cove. Its Coalition is concerned about vaping and seeks to educate and update the community regarding its negative consequences. To learn more about the SAFE Glen Cove Coalition please follow us on www.facebook.com/safeglencovecoalition or visit the Vaping Facts and Myths Page of SAFE's website to learn more about how it's detrimental to your health www.safeglencove.org.