

HARD FACTS ABOUT VAPING AMONG OUR NATIVE HAWAIIAN YOUTH

6 OUT OF 10 NATIVE HAWAIIAN HIGH SCHOOL 'ŌPIO HAVE TRIED VAPING

63.8% of Native Hawaiian high school youth, and 37.6% of middle school youth have tried vaping

NATIVE HAWAIIAN MIDDLE SCHOOLER 'ŌPIO REPORT VAPING 12X MORE THAN THEY REPORT SMOKING COMBUSTIBLE CIGARETTES

Kanaka middle schoolers report vaping to combustible rates at 23.6% vs 1.9% while Native Hawaiian high schoolers report 46.6% vs 5.1%

NATIVE HAWAIIAN HIGH SCHOOL 'ŌPIO REPORT MORE FREQUENT VAPING THAN NON-KANAKA YOUTH

Nearly 2 in 10 (17%) of Native Hawaiian high schoolers reported using a vape product frequently (20+ days within the last 30 days), compared to 10.4% of the general youth population. Furthermore 1 in 3 kanaka 'ōpio stated the availability of flavors is the reason they use vape products

NATIVE HAWAIIAN HIGH SCHOOL 'ŌPIO REPORT ACTIVE USE OF VAPE PRODUCTS MORE THAN NEARLY EVERY OTHER RACIAL GROUP IN HAWAII

In a 2019 state study, 42% of Native Hawaiian teens reported using vape products, 11% higher than the overall teen rate and other Pacific Islanders, both at 31%.

'ŌPIO BRAINS ARE MORE LIKELY TO BE ADDICTED TO NICOTINE THAN ADULT BRAINS

Adolescent brains are still developing synapse connections (the connections made in order to learn and retain information). Nicotine alters these connections and can instead make different connects, leading to addiction.

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