The use of THC oil in vaping products has grown rapidly across the country and El Paso, especially among our youth. In addition to serious health risks, this alarming trend can seriously impact their future as it’s a felony to possess THC oil.

**WHAT IS THC* OIL?**

- An oil made from the marijuana (cannabis) plant
- Usually a thick and sticky oil with a golden or brown color
- Typically found in glass “cartridges” about two inches long
- Also known as wax, butter or shatter

*THC = Tetrahydrocannabinol

**HOW IS THC OIL VAPE?**

A vaping device heats THC oil into a vapor that is inhaled by the user. Various types of devices are used, including some that look like everyday objects. **Examples:**
WHAT IF YOU’RE CAUGHT WITH THC OIL?

OVER 17 YEARS OF AGE
THE FOLLOWING IS POSSIBLE:

- 180 days to two years of jail time for less than a gram
- Two to ten years for one to four grams. A standard THC cartridge is typically one gram

UNDER 17 YEARS OF AGE
THE FOLLOWING IS POSSIBLE:

- Detainment • Probation
- 5:00 PM Curfew • House Arrest
- Electronic (Ankle) Monitoring
- Intensive Supervised Probation
- Commitment to the Texas Juvenile Justice Department
- Residential Treatment Center

WHAT’S AT RISK?

Health Problems • Employment • Residency Status • College Acceptance
- Military Recruitment • Scholarship Applications • Section 8 Housing Eligibility

The consequences of possessing THC oil aren’t worth the risk – and it’s not a good look. If you have kids, be aware of their possessions and talk with them about the consequences.

If you have questions, want more information or need help with addiction services visit HealthyPasoDelNorte.org for additional details.