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**National Institute on Drug Abuse to hold teleconference discussing  
key findings of 2016 Monitoring the Future Survey on teen drug use**

The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) will hold a teleconference on Tuesday, December 13, to discuss the results of the 2016 Monitoring the Future (MTF) survey. The survey, conducted earlier this year by scientists at the University of Michigan, tracks annual drug use and attitudes among eighth, 10th, and 12th-grade students. NIDA is part of the National Institutes of Health, within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

MTF – the only large-scale federal government teen health survey that releases findings the same year the data is collected – will include findings on attitudes about, and prevalence of, marijuana use, prescription medications, e-cigarettes, heroin, synthetic cannabinoids (K2/Spice), alcohol, tobacco and other drugs.

MTF is 1 of 3 major survey instruments the HHS uses to monitor the nation's substance use patterns among teens. Information from these surveys helps to provide strategic planning for prevention, treatment, and recovery support services for youth.

**WHAT:** Teleconference to discuss the 2016 Monitoring the Future Survey results, which will be officially released at 12:01 a.m. EST on December 13.

**WHEN:** **Tuesday, December 13, 2016 from 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. EST**

**WHERE:** To dial into the teleconference, call: 888-989-3414, Participant passcode: MTF2016

**Materials for the teleconference will be posted online December 13 at**  
[www.drugabuse.gov/related-topics/trends-statistics/monitoring-future](http://www.drugabuse.gov/related-topics/trends-statistics/monitoring-future).

**WHO:** **Featured Speakers**

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