# Let's Be Blunt: A Conversation About Marijuana

A presentation by

### **Congressman Patrick Kennedy**

Former U.S. Representative for Rhode Island's 1st congressional district

### **Dr. Kevin Sabet**

Director of the Drug Policy Institute at the University of Florida and an Assistant Professor in the College of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry.

## Joseph D. Coronato

Ocean County Prosecutor

## **Christopher J. Gramiccioni**

Acting Monmouth County Prosecutor

### **Admission is Free**

Date: Wednesday November 19, 2014

**Time:** 6 pm - 8 pm (registration at 6 pm, program starts promptly at 6:30 pm)

Location: Brick Township High School, 346 Chambers Bridge Rd, Brick, NJ

Pre-Registration: Call 732-886-4757

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## The Facts and Myths About Marijuana

What's your position on the marijuana debate in New Jersey? Find out the consequences of marijuana legalization. Dr. Kevin Sabet and Congressman Patrick Kennedy will be discussing the myths and the facts.

First 100 Pre-Registrants will be entered into a drawing for a Door Prize (Must be present to win) FREE babysitting for children 3 to 12 years.

### Keynote Speaker: Congressman Patrick Kennedy

Congressman Patrick Kennedy is a former U.S. Representative for Rhode Island's 1st congressional district, serving from 1995 until 2011. Kennedy has acknowledged being treated for cocaine use during his teenage years, and admitted that he abused drugs and alcohol while he was a student at Providence College. He sought treatment for an OxyContin addiction in 2006. Due to his experience with addiction, Patrick J. Kennedy has started to advocate against the legalization of marijuana.

#### Principle Speaker: Dr. Kevin Sabet

Dr. Sabet is the Director of the Drug Policy Institute at the University of Florida and an Assistant Professor in the College of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry. With Patrick J. Kennedy, he is the co-founder of Project SAM (Smart Approaches to Marijuana) and the author of Reefer Sanity. From 2009-2011, he served in the Obama Administration as the Senior Advisor to Director Kerlikowske at the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP).

### Featured Guest Speaker: Joseph D. Coronato, Ocean County Prosecutor

The Prosecutor is committed to do whatever is necessary among the citizens of Ocean County regarding the dangers of illegal drug usage. In 1976 Prosecutor Coronato was appointed a Deputy Attorney General and assigned to the Division of Criminal Justice; in 1981 he was employed as an Assistant Prosecutor at the Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office. In 1984 Prosecutor Coronato established a private practice in Toms River. Once in private practice he became a Municipal Prosecutor in at least 15 towns in Ocean County and has prosecuted at the local, county, state and federal level. On March 22, 2013 he was sworn in as Prosecutor, the Chief Law Enforcement Officer in Ocean County,

### Featured Guest Speaker: Christopher J. Gramiccioni, Acting Monmouth County Prosecutor

Christopher J. Gramiccioni, a former assistant U.S. attorney for almost 9 years, joined the Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office as First Assistant Prosecutor in February 2011. Chris was named Acting Monmouth County Prosecutor by Governor Christie on July 1, 2012. Chris, a LCDR in the United States Navy JAG Corp., just recently returned from a 6 month deployment to Afghanistan serving our country.

### Presented by:











