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THE FACTS ABOUT UNDERAGE DRINKING

- Hawai'i teens think that 85% of people their age drink at least one drink a day, when in actuality almost 75% do not drink at all.
- Almost half of all Hawai'i youth have never drank.
- For those Hawai'i high schoolers who have drank, 16.9% had their first drink before the age of 13.
- Three out of every 4 teenager claims that their parents are a leading influencer on their opinion of drinking.
- Of Hawai'i teens who drink, 85% report getting alcohol from home without their parents'/guardians' knowledge.
- Of Hawai'i teens who drink, 78% report getting alcohol from older family members who are not their parents/guardians.
- In Hawai'i, not only is giving alcohol to a minor illegal, but allowing a minor to drink is unlawful.
- Teen alcohol use kills about 4,700 people each year — that's more than all other illegal drugs combined.
- According to 2007-2008 THE HAWAI'I STUDENT ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, AND OTHER DRUG USE STUDY: EXECUTIVE SUMMARY, early initiation of alcohol and substance abuse increases a person's chances of accepting problematic social behaviors later in life (for example, suspension from school, violence, binge drinking, arrest).
- In that same study, there was significant data on the correlation between a teen's exposure to their family's alcohol usage and their own.
- If a child starts to drink at a younger age, they are seven times more likely to be involved in a car crash later on involving alcohol (MADD.org).
- One in four car crashes with teenagers involve an underage drunk driver.

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