

CBD and the difference of FDA approval

You may be wondering why approval from the Food & Drug Administration (FDA) matters when it comes to cannabidiol (CBD). Only FDA-approved CBD products are evaluated for safety and effectiveness. These products are regulated to ensure consistency and quality so that you and your doctor know you'll get the same product every time.

Take a look below at some important differences between FDA-approved and non-FDA approved CBD.

FDA-APPROVED CBD

VS

NON-FDA APPROVED CBD

Each bottle of FDA-approved CBD is regulated to have the amount of CBD listed on the label and the same amount of CBD in every bottle.



LABEL ACCURACY

Some non-FDA approved CBD products have been found to have inconsistent levels of CBD compared to what they claim on the label—that means it can be difficult to know if you're getting the correct amount.

FDA-approved CBD products undergo strict testing as they are grown and manufactured to ensure every bottle is highly purified and contains exactly what it says on the label.



THC CONTENT

Some non-FDA approved CBD products have been found to have measurable levels of THC, meaning you could get the "high" sensation from something that claims you won't.

Strict manufacturing and quality control requirements ensure an FDA-approved CBD product is free from pesticides, pollutants, toxins, and heavy metals like lead.



SAFETY TESTS

Some non-FDA approved CBD products have been found to contain lead, hazardous chemicals like pesticides, and plasticizers which have been linked to cancer.

Due to federal oversight and regulation, FDA-approved CBD may be eligible for insurance coverage.



INSURANCE COVERAGE

Insurance companies typically do not cover non-FDA approved CBD products because they are unregulated.