

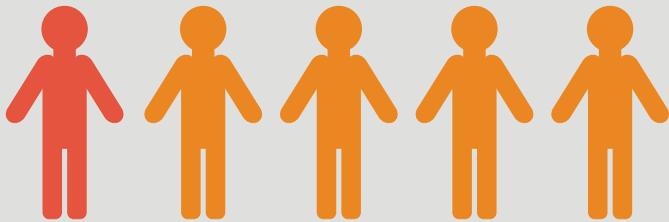
# TEEN SUBSTANCE USE: CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES MATTER



**ACES ARE ASSOCIATED WITH  
AN INCREASED LIKELIHOOD  
OF SUBSTANCE USE**

## ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES (ACEs)

emotional abuse      emotional neglect      spanking  
exposed to verbal violence between adults in the home  
household substance use      household mental illness  
foster care or child protective organization contact  
parental separation or divorce      parental gambling  
parental trouble with police      unsafe neighbourhoods  
poverty



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**IN 5 ADOLESCENTS  
EXPERIENCE ACES +  
PEER VICTIMIZATION (PV)**

**THOSE WHO EXPERIENCE  
BOTH ACES + PV HAVE  
MUCH HIGHER ODDS OF...**



smoking



using alcohol +  
binge drinking



using cannabis



Full study by Afifi, T. O., Taillieu, T., Salmon, S., Garcès Davila, I., Stewart-Tufescu, A., Fortier, J., Struck, S., Asmundson, G. J. G., Sareen, J., MacMillan, H. L. (2020) Adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), peer victimization, and substance use among adolescents, in *Child Abuse & Neglect*.