



# Hawaii HIDTA Awareness Bulletin Halloween Safety **BOO!**

## BE SCARY BUT STAY WARY

In light of the recent spike in fentanyl overdoses and multiple suspected fentanyl related deaths; we are urging parents and guardians to be especially vigilant of our keiki this Halloween Season.

Parents/adults need to inspect all candies and treats before the children can eat them.

Know where the treats came from and be aware of your surroundings.

Look for tell tale signs of re-sealing on the packaging; Be especially careful with cookies and brownies.

The best precaution is to only accept candies and treats from trusted friends and relatives.



(Two men were sentenced for smuggling fentanyl pills using Skittles and Nerds packages in 2022. They were not being sold to children but there is always the danger of a package falling into the wrong hands, especially during Halloween.)



We are equally concerned over the access our adolescents have to Marijuana Edibles and Concentrates. There have been reports of several youths becoming ill from consuming THC laced treats and candies. These are not safe or harmless, children do not understand that ingesting THC has a very delayed effect and continue consuming pieces until it is too late.



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