REF: “The fight for ‘Medical’ marijuana

Parenting Magazine Editors and Administrators,

Sample 1:

As a parent it is extremely disconcerting Parenting Magazine has deliberately chosen to deceive parents, give them false hope, disregard medical warnings, and ignore scientific evidence. Educate yourselves instead of promoting the myth that marijuana is a medicine. It causes far more harm than any potential benefit. I hope subscribers and advertisers cancel their affiliation with your magazine.

Sample 2:

I thought your magazine was supposed to give advice based on fact, research and valid evidence not anecdotal statements from parents and people who want to legalize marijuana. Sounds like there is some sort of conflict of interest that your magazine needs to disclose! And, change the name of the magazine to Parenting Cannabis Children

Sample 3:

It was beyond disappointing to read your magazine promotes the legalization of marijuana for any reason. I assume you can’t read the data from Colorado?

* Traffic deaths:   32% increase in marijuana-related traffic deaths in just one year from 2013
* Colorado youth usage (ages 12 to 17) ranks 56% higher than the national average
* ER visits:  29% increase in the number of marijuana-related emergency room visits
* Hospitalizations:  38%  increase in the number of marijuana-related hospitalizations

How are any of these statistics safe & healthy for our children? Get the facts straight and be honest.

Sample 4:

Your magazine should write a letter of apology for encouraging parents to go against medical research and medical advice. Given that no medical organization promotes hash oil or smoking marijuana as a medicine it is unsettling that you all would not only promote it but ask parents to volunteer to legalize it. You have lost all creditability with me and my family. Get the facts straight:

* The American Cancer Society advises: “Better and more effective treatments are needed to overcome the side effects of cancer and its treatment.”
* The American Epilepsy Society warns parents, “Families coming to Colorado are receiving unregulated, highly variable artisanal preparations of cannabis oil prescribed, in most cases, by physicians with no training in pediatrics, neurology or epilepsy.”

Does this sound like medicine to you?