

Mental Health Watchdog Calls for Investigation into the Connection Between Violence and Psychiatric Drugs

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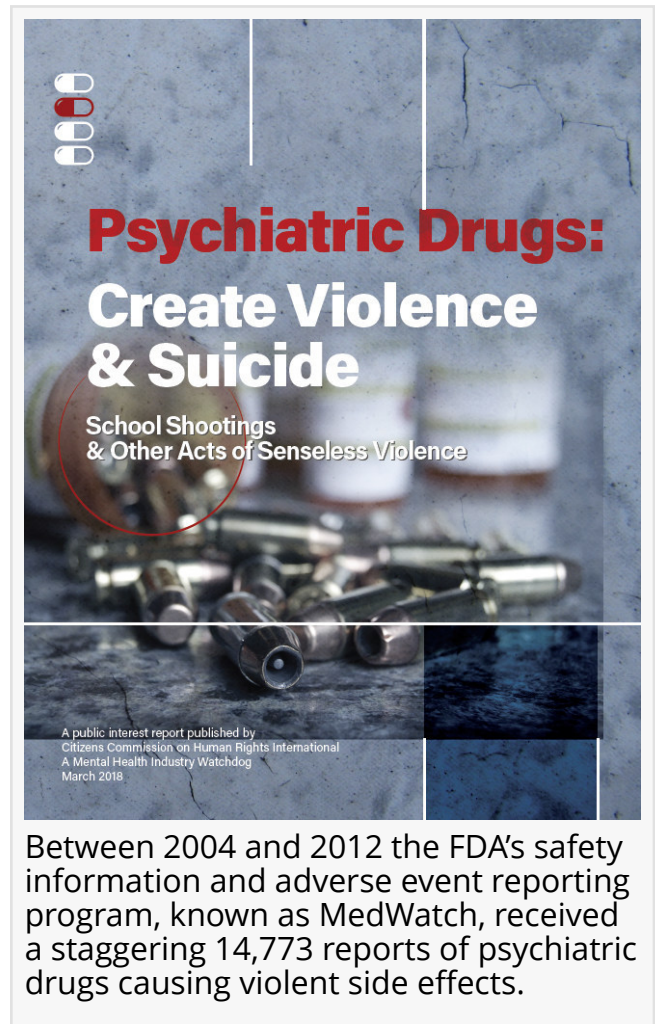
CLEARWATER, FLORIDA, UNITED STATES, August 28, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The [Citizens Commission on Human Rights](#) (CCHR), a non-profit mental health watchdog dedicated to investigating and exposing abusive psychiatric practices in the name of mental healing, is calling upon Florida lawmakers to investigate the plausible link between [psychiatric drugs](#) and violence.

Following another act of senseless violence, this time in Jacksonville, The Florida chapter of CCHR is once again imploring officials to investigate the very real possibility that the dangerous side effects of psychotropic drugs are the bottom of these tragedies.

For the past 20 years, CCHR has been investigating and exposing the correlation between mass murder, violent crime, suicide and psychiatric drugs. During this time CCHR has reported that those taking or withdrawing from psychiatric drugs have committed at least 36 school shootings and/or school-related acts of violence.[1] This interrelationship is not surprising when it is taken into account that psychiatric drugs have been documented by 27 international drug regulatory agency warnings, including the U.S. FDA, to cause side effects of mania, hostility, violence, and even homicidal ideation in a percentage of those prescribed.[2]

The fact that individuals committing these murders have been or were under psychiatric treatment is often made public by the media. Multiple news sources have already made it known that the suspected gunman, David Katz, in the Jacksonville Landing mass shooting had been "twice hospitalized in his teenage years for mental illness, and that he was prescribed anti-psychotic and anti-depressant drugs." [3]

According to CCHR an investigation into the link is long overdue pointing out that between 2004 and 2012 the FDA's safety information and adverse event reporting program, known as MedWatch, received a staggering 14,773 reports of psychiatric drugs causing violent side effects, including 1,531 cases of homicidal ideation/homicide, 3,287 cases of mania, and 8,219 cases of



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The Citizens Commission on Human Rights is urging lawmakers to immediately look into the connection between psychiatric drugs and the deadly events that transpired in Jacksonville and earlier this year in Parkland, Florida.[4] For more information on psychiatric drugs and side effects, please call CCHR Florida at 727-442-8820 or download the free online report "[Psychiatric Drugs: Create Violence & Suicide](#)".

About CCHR: Initially established by the Church of Scientology and renowned psychiatrist Dr. Thomas Szasz in 1969, CCHR's mission is to eradicate abuses committed under the guise of mental health and enact patient and consumer protections.

L. Ron Hubbard, founder of Scientology, first brought psychiatric imprisonment to wide public notice: "Thousands and thousands are seized without process of law, every week, over the 'free world' tortured, castrated, killed. All in the name of 'mental health,'" he wrote in March 1969. For more information visit, www.cchrflorida.org

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