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The Centers for Disease Control has been [spotlighting some disturbing national statistics about women and drinking](#). For example, about one out of eight women in the U.S. and one out of five high-school girls go on drinking binges each month. The CDC defines four drinks in one session as a binge for a woman. The CDC estimates that 23-thousand die in the U.S. each year because of excessive drinking.

Today the [Center on Alcohol Marketing and Youth](#) is marking its fifth anniversary at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health with a lunchtime symposium about girls, women and alcohol marketing. The Center's director, Dr. David Jernigan, joins Sheilah Kast to talk about it.

The symposium is called, "[Virginia Slims in a Bottle: Girls, Women and Alcohol Marketing](#)" It starts at noon at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health's Feinstone Hall. You can stream it live online [here](#).

Journalist Ann Dowsett Johnston will speak at the event. She wrote a book about women and alcohol called [Drink: The Intimate Relationship Between Women and Alcohol](#).

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