

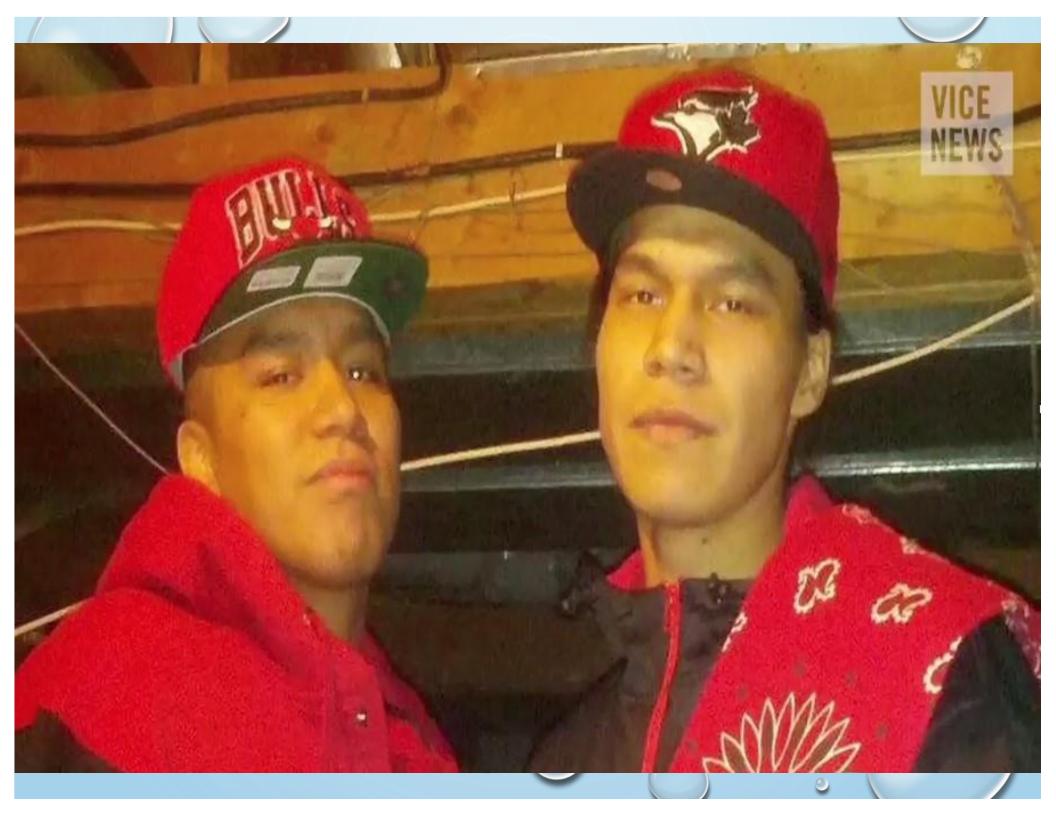
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Jrugs and Gangs







DEVELOPING VALUES AND CHARACTERIS

BELONGING

A sense of Community, loving others and being

INDEPENDENCE

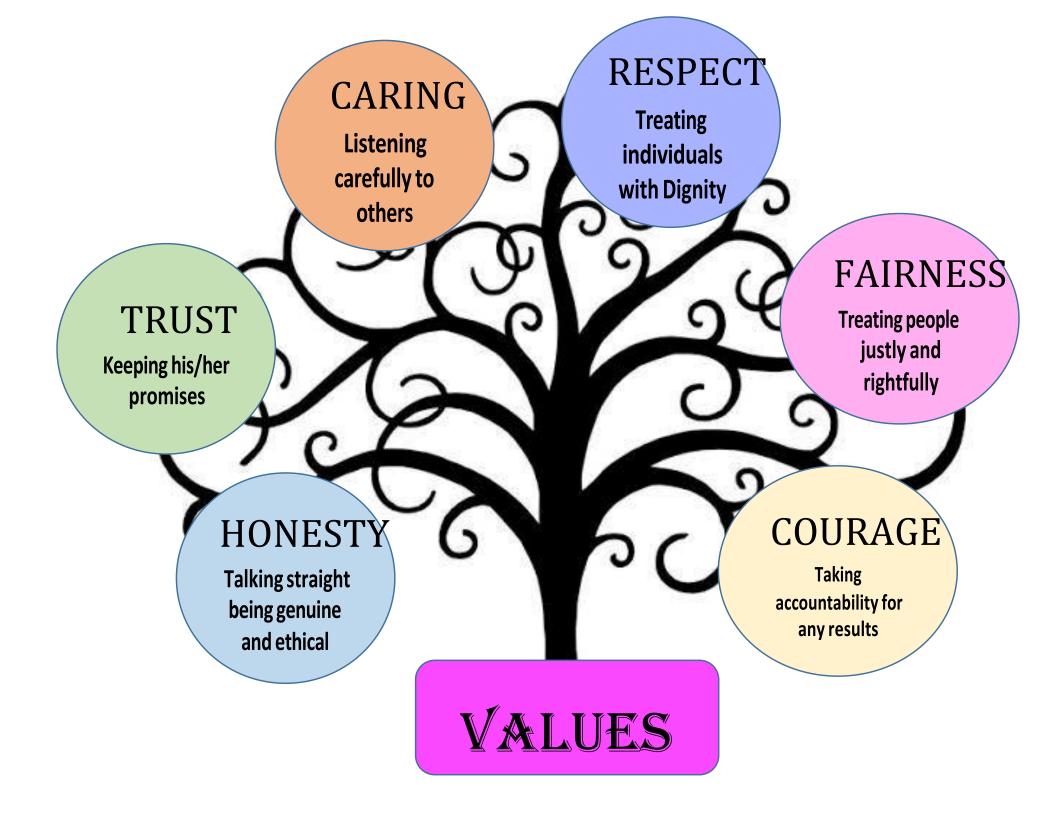
Making one's own decision & being responsible for failure or success

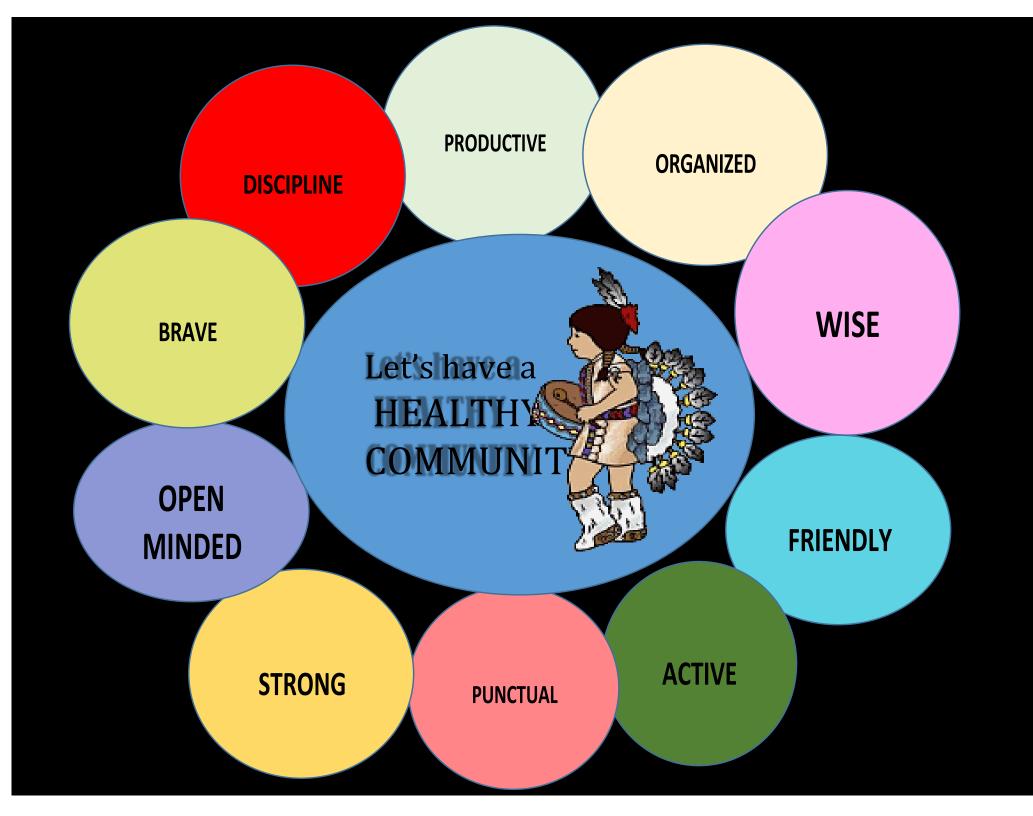
MASTERY

Competence in many areas. Mental physical, social and spiritual

GENEROSITY

Looking forward to being able to contribute to others





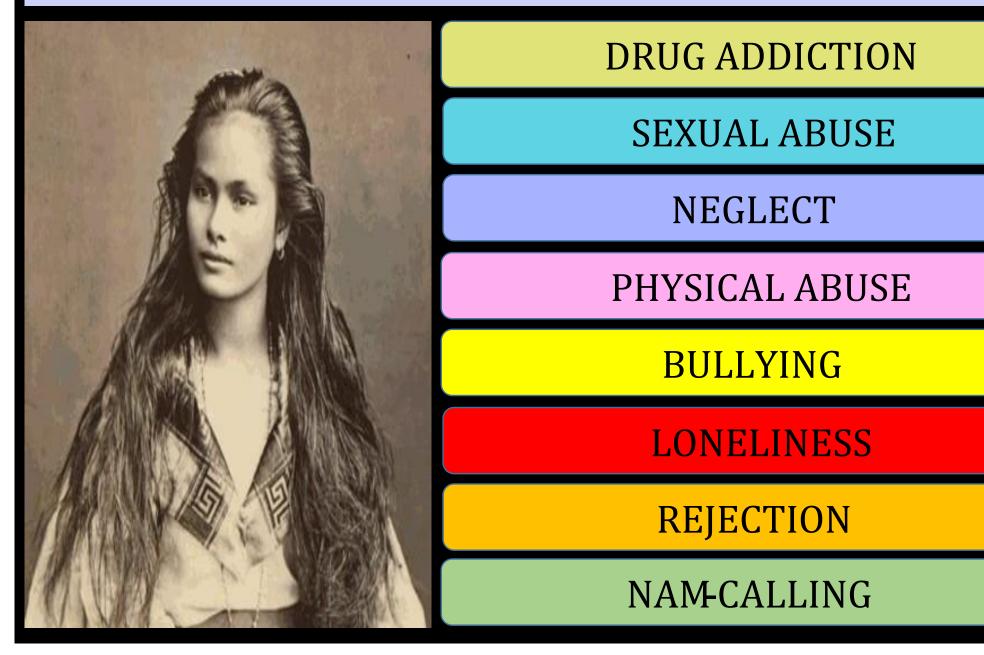


FIRST NATIONS believed that their values and traditions were gifts from the **CREATOR**.

People give thanks to everything in nature, upon which they depended for survival.

First Nations treated all objects in their environment whether animate or inanimate—with the utmost respect.

WE HAVE BECOME WOUNDED Addressing Past Hurts





ASK FOR FEEDBACK

Take a moment to look back on what you were asked to do and what you actually accomplished

DON'T OVER COMMIT

When you take on too much, something will eventually fall through the cracks <u>KNOW</u> <u>YOUR ROLE</u> Do not be afraid to ask

questions.

BECOMING RESPONSIBLE &

ACCOUNTABLE

OWN YOUR MISTAKES

Focus on making apologies and building bridges, not building walls.

HUMBLE

Success in life usually comes when you're completely honest with yourself and with others.

MANAGE YOUR TIME The way people see you is critical in all aspects of your life.





IMPORTANCE OF SHARIN OUR LEARNING TO OTHE

Hearing your story can be a tremendous encouragement.

- It also gives them hope
- It forms instant bonds of solidarity between you, which may even blossom into something like friendship.
- You can share specific
 strategies, toolsets, and
 coping mechanisms that have
 been helpful to you.



IMPORTANCE OF SHARIN OUR LEARNING TO OTHE

- It affirms the importance of your story. Sharing your
 story lends confidence to that.
- It also makes your recovery more real to you.
- Putting your recovery into words can be richly
 energizing and immeasurably therapeutic experience.
- Sharing your story can be a great path toward self-love.

STEPS FOR GROWTH AND HEALING



CONVERSATION

You have to talk about what you're going through because it helps bring understanding.

<u>BE OPEN TO CHANGE AND NECESSARY PAIN</u> To heal and grow, you have to get to the root of the problem.

SURROUND YOURSELF WITH LOVE AND JOY Humans need other humans so, find your people and love them hard.

DO GOOD TO FEEL GOOD Do something good today, for someone else, without reason or agenda.

<u>HEALTHY BODY = HEALTHY MIND</u> Eating well and exercising really does lead to a healthier life and mind.

It doesn't matter how old you are or what you have done before. Today is a brand new day, let's make that brand new start happentoday helevul In my efforts to bring y This Drug Workshop... I need to bring the impacts of drugs to the forefront,

where people can see it for what it really is.....

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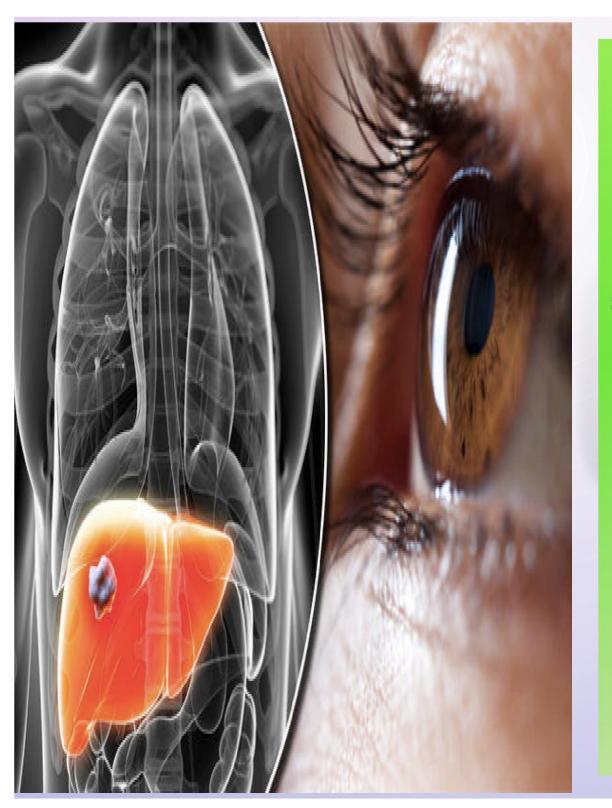
DRUGS KILLS ALL DREAMS



WHICH DRUG IS THE KING OF THE DRUG WORLD?

nobody dares utter a peep!



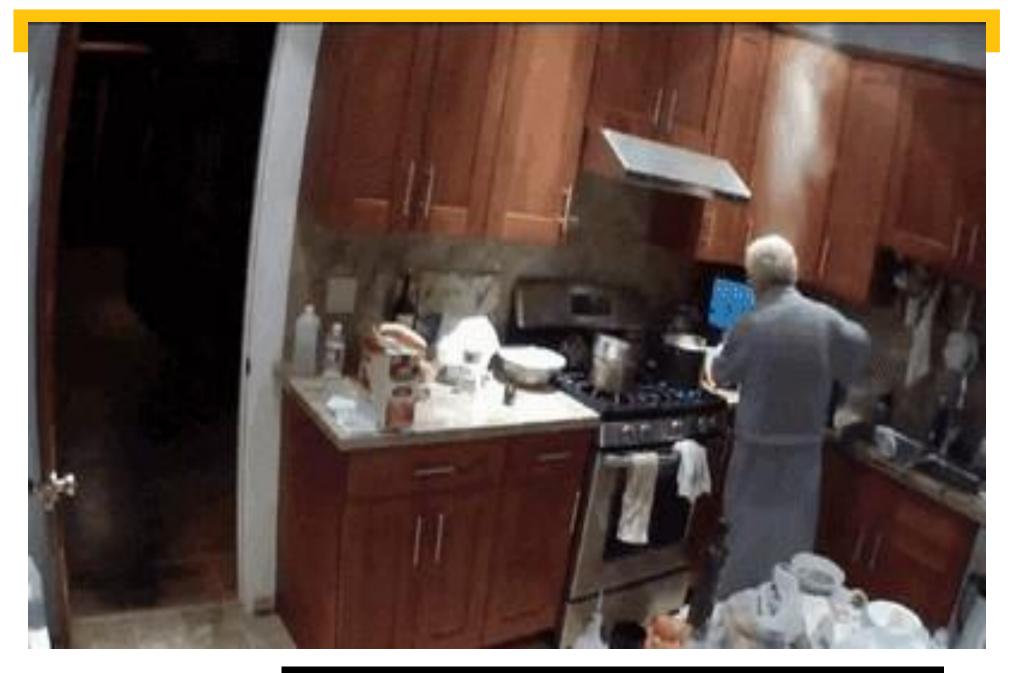


Cirrhosis of the liver kills over 30,000 each year and rising.

50 percent of the people on welfare are due to killer alcohol.

80 percent of all fire deaths are due to killer alcohol.

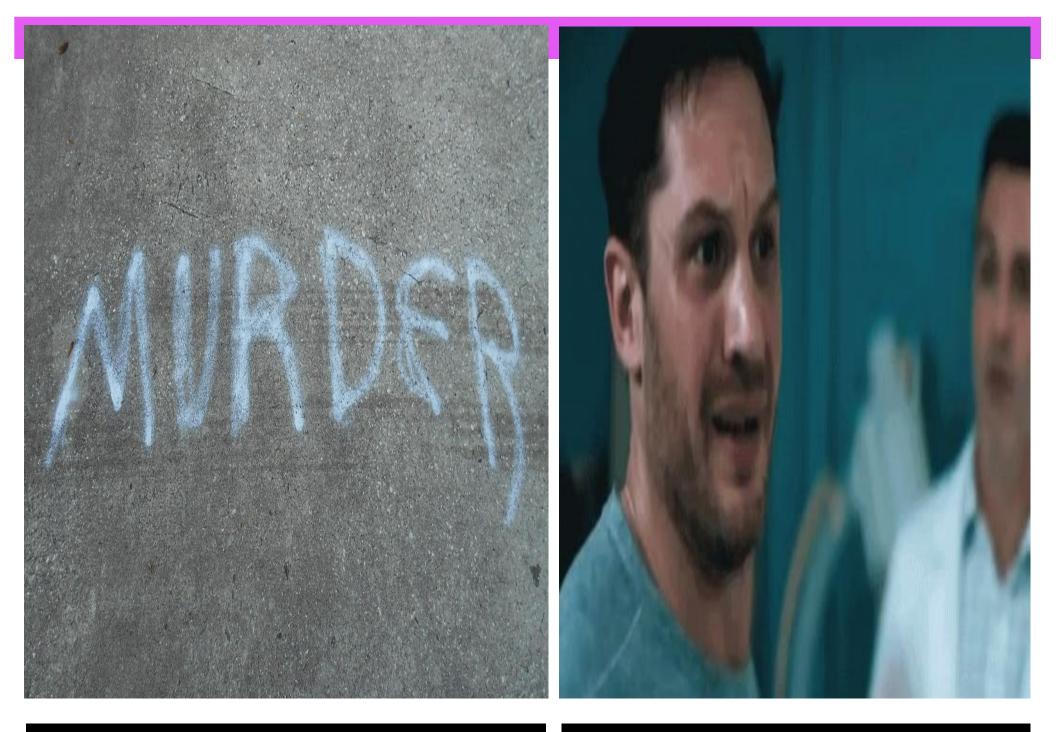
65 percent of the drownings.



22% HOME ACCIDENTS

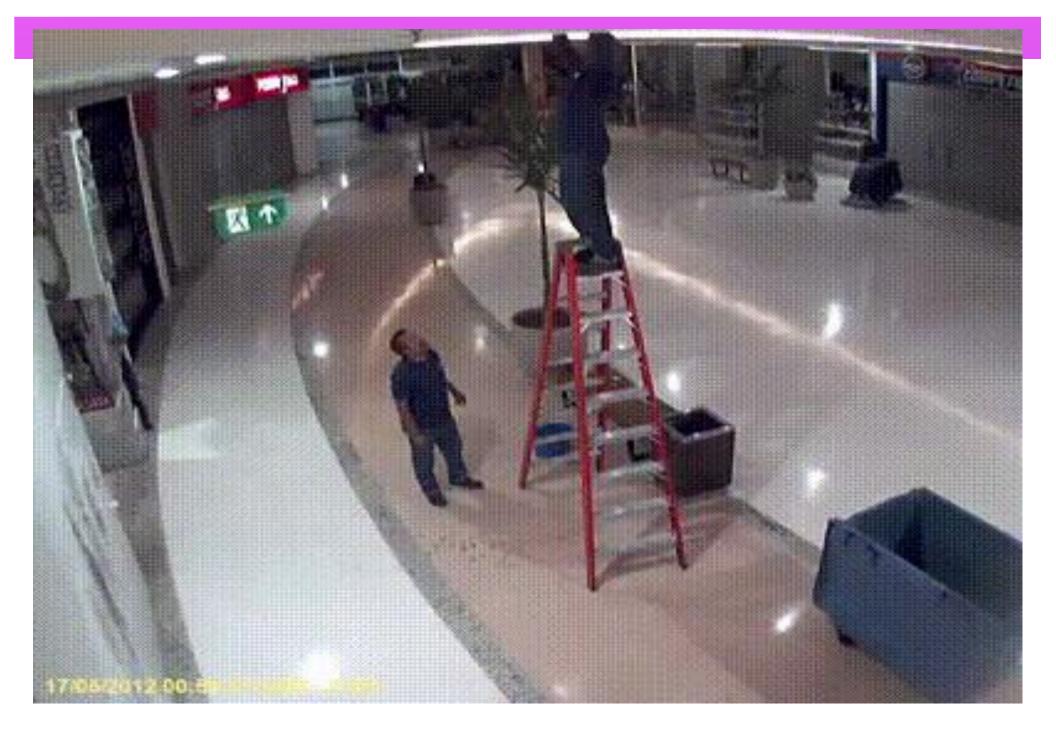


36% PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENT









77% FALL ACCIDENT



SEX CRIMES

35% of all rapes

30% of all suicides

30% of other sex crimes

Over 80% of all arrests are linked to killer alcohol

And one of the most disturbing statistics of all....

60 PERCENT OF ALL CHILD ABUSE IS DUE TO KILLER ALCOHOL!





Alcohol Trouble

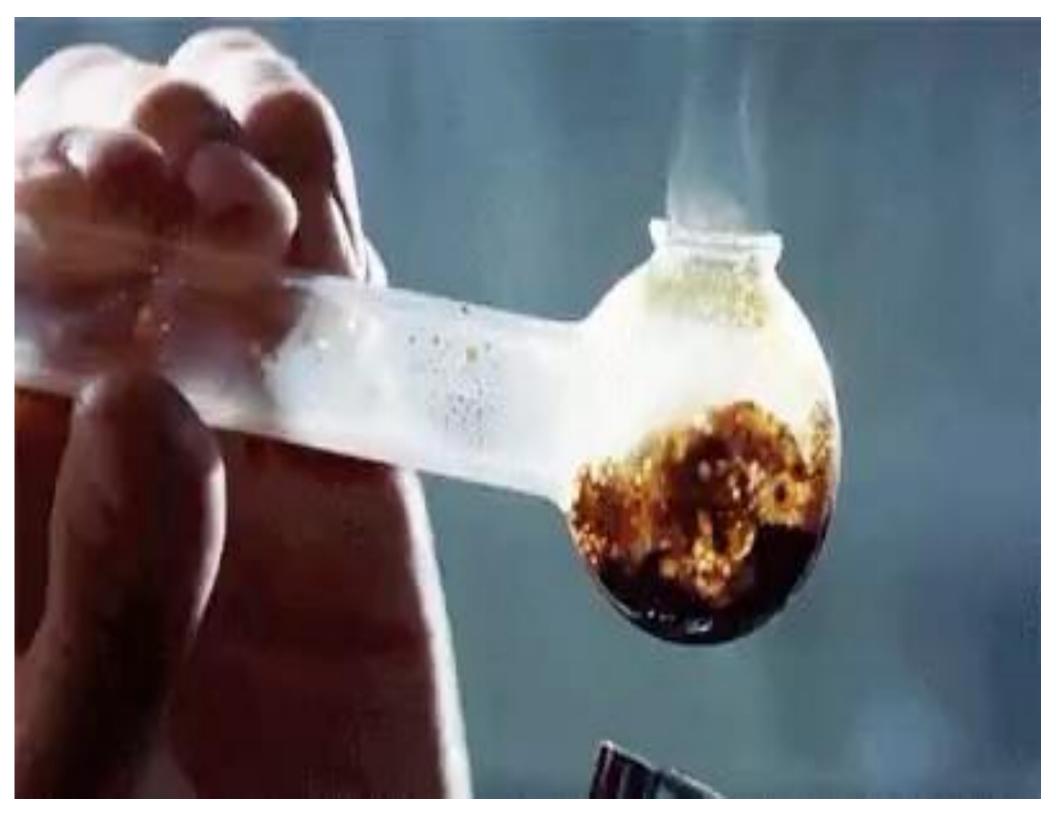
- Health Risk
- Poor quality work
 - Accidents
- Drinking & Driving
 - Violence / Family
- Underage Drinking



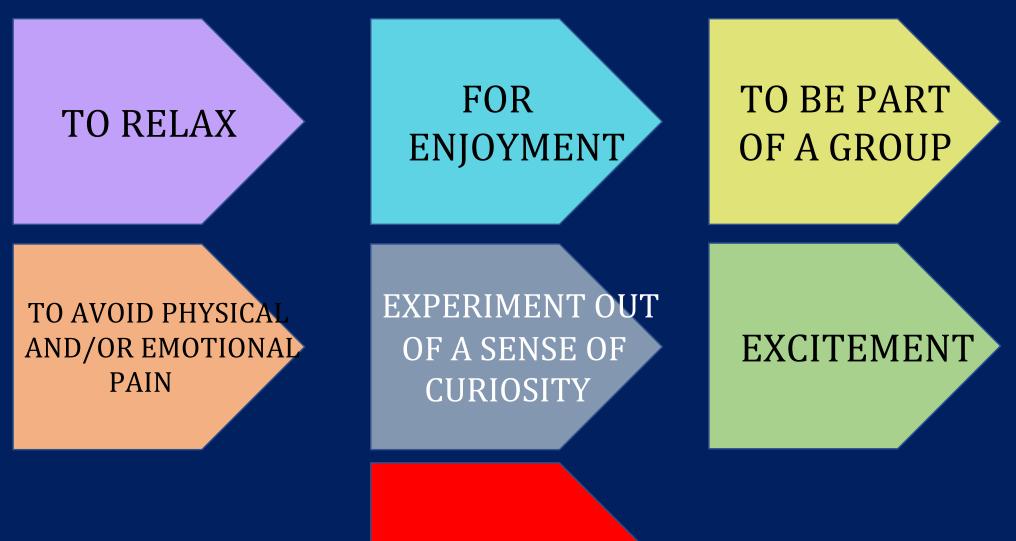
WHAT ARE DRUGS?

Drugs are chemical substances that affect both your mind and your body. The prolonged use of drug may lead to **physical** and/or **psychological** dependence. An overdose of any drug may lead to **death**.





WHY DO THEY NEED TO TAKE DRUGS:



REBELLION



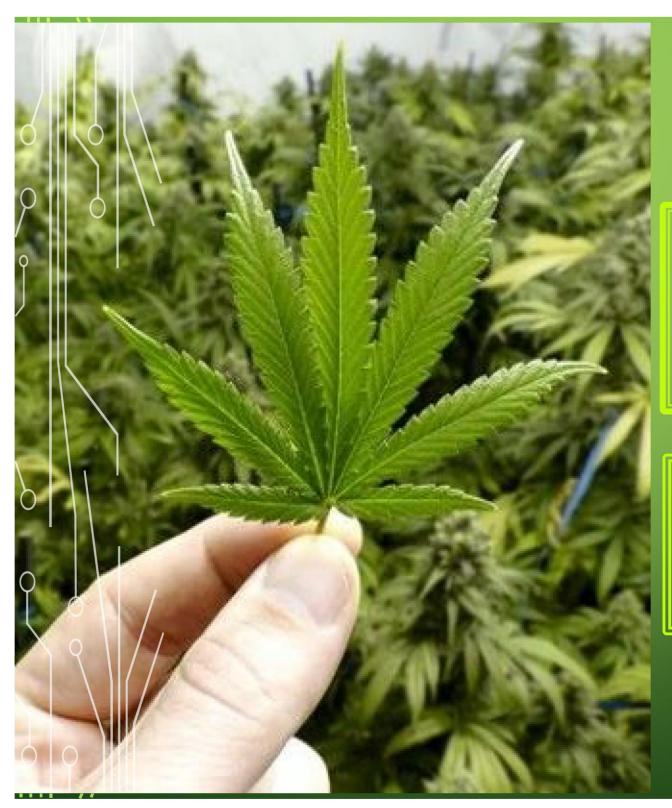














Strong, Available, Reputation as a <u>"safe"</u> drug, antiestablishment

Effects on:

Brain, Lungs, Heart, Sex/Rep, Immunity System, Personality.





15 Times Stronger than '70s

Keeps People from Achieving Their Potential

Often Laced w/ Other Drugs

Hooks into Fat Cells

Marijuana is on the Rise Among Middle School Age Students

<u>PEER PRESSURE</u> because friends or siblings use it

Belief of escaping from problems at home, school, or with friends

REASON FOR ITS US

<u>Listening</u> <u>to music</u> <u>and songs</u> <u>that refer</u> <u>to its use.</u>

FAMILY INFLUENCE -

because they see older people in family using it

DOES MARIJUANA AFFECT SCHOOL, SPORTS, DRIVING, AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

(NA)

Biggest hazard for teens: Marijuana makes them mess up in school, sports, clubs, or with friends.

 ${\mathbb H}$ When high, more likely to make stupid mistakes.

ℜStrong link between drug use and unsafe sex leading to spread of HIV.

 $\mathbf{\mathcal{H}}$ Lost of energy, interest and impaired vision

#Timing, coordination, alertness, and performance all affected

Bronchial asthma

Reproductive system (decrease in testosterone) Decreased sperm count Abnormality of sperm Impaired fetal growth and development)

Pulmonary disease

Increased heart rate

Increased risk to lungs

Leads to subsequent use of cocaine and heroine

LONG TERM EFFECTS

Chronic obstructive

- Bronchial asthma

- Pulmonary disease
 Increased heart rate
- Increased risk to lungs
- Short term memory

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- Decreased sperm count
- Abnormality of sperm
- I development)
- Physical dependency

of cocaine and heroine



- Sore throats
- Coughs

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- Chronic obstructive
 Physical dependency
- Suppresses immune system
 - Glaucoma
 - Short term memory

FFFFFFS ON FHF BRAIN

- The chemicals travel through bloodstream and attach to special places on brain's nerve cells (receptors)
- THC disrupts nerve cells in part of brain where memories are found, making it harder for user to recall recent events and hard to learn while high.
- Toll taken on mental functions







SNIFFING SOLVENTS





TERMINOLOGY



<u>Sniffing</u> Inhaling vapors from an open container or off a heated pan

TERMINOLOGY



<u>Huffing</u> Inhaling vapors from a volatile-soaked cloth held against the face

TERMINOLOGY



Bagging

Application of the volatile into a paper or plastic bag, which is then held over the face.

SOLVENTS

(common household products)

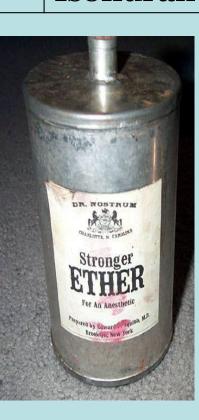


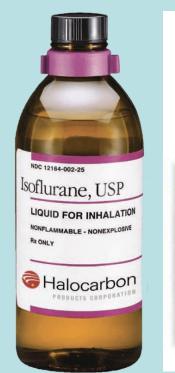
Adhesives	model airplane glue, rubber cement, household glue
Aerosols	spray paint, hairspray, air freshener, deodorant, fabric protector
Solvents and gases	nail polish remover, paint thinner, type correction fluid and thinner, toxic markers, pure toluene, cigar lighter fluid, gasoline, carburetor cleaner, octane booster
Cleaning agents	dry cleaning fluid, spot remover, degreaser

Food products

vegetable cooking spray, dessert topping spray (whipped cream), whippets









Nitrous oxide, ether, chloroform Isoflurane, desflurane...







ILLEGAL DRUGS





ILGEAL DRUGS

8 DRUGS THAT EXIST IN NATURE



Ори́м рорру (<u>HEROIN, MORPHINE, CODEINE</u>) Heroin is a super-strong, quickly absorbed form of morphine, and the most intense use of opium.



BLUE AGAVE (TEQUILA)

Tequila, named for the Mexican town where it originated, the sugar comes from the beautiful blue agave. After it's roasted and mashed, it provides the sugar that, once properly rotted, leaves behind alcohol.



COCA LEAVES (COCAINE)

Coca leaves, mostly grown in South America, have to go through some pretty ugly steps to become cocaine. Steps involving powdered cement, gasoline soaks, and battery acid baths are all needed to condense the naturally occurring leaves into an illegal narcotic.



EPHEDRA SINICA (SUDAFED, METH)

This scraggly little bush, also called ma huang, has been used in Chinese medicine for centuries. The alkaloids in the plant can be abused, most commonly in the form of weight-loss drugs and meth production.



PSILOCYBIN MUSHROOM (SHROOMS)

the naturally occurring compound that causes the euphoria and psychedelic trips associated with shrooms, can be found in over 200 species of mushrooms



WILLOW BARK (ASPIRIN)

Salicylic acid, found in willow bark, has cooled fevered brows across the world for millennia. Even Hippocrates, the father of medicine, used to recommend chewing the bark to reduce fevers and inflammation in his patients



SASSAFRAS ROOT (ECSTASY)

Root beer and sarsaparilla used to have actual sassafras oil in them for flavor. It is the treatments with formaldehyde, paint thinner, and drain cleaner that make sassafras oil such a delightful thing to put inside your body.



PENICILLIUM MOLD (PENICILLIN)

Penicillin: The mighty, moldy world changer. It was the first drug to effectively combat bacterial infections, leading to cures of an untold number of afflictions, from strep to syphilis

Street Drugs:

Heroin
 Crack Cocaine
 Crystal Methamphetamine

<u>HEROIN</u>

Opiate, narcotic

- Origin- extracted from the seed pod of the poppy plant
- Sold in white powder mixed with sugar, cornstarch, powdered milk, etc.



◆ Tar	🚸 Big H
Smaek	NOSC drops
Thunder	
tout tout	

Ways it is used:



It acts as a massíve paínkiller and is a downer and makes you nod out.

COCAINE

Stimulant

- Origin- Coca leaves
 - Most potent stimulant in natural origin
- Sold in white powder typically diluted with cornstarch, powder & sugar

Cocaine- Street Names

Powder Cocaine

- Coke
- Nose candy
- Blow
- **-** C
- Snow
- Speedball (mixed with heroin)

Solid lumps of cocaine

- Crack- makes a crackling noise when heated
- Rock
- Snowball



Ways it is used:



 Immediate effects after using.
 Effects do not last long leaving the user wanting more.

Cocaine- Signs and Symptoms Cocaine- Signs and Symptoms

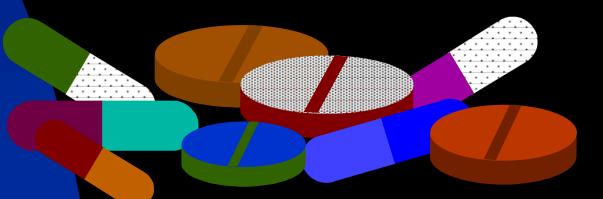
Excitement Excitement Agitation Agitation Euphoria

Hyperactivity
 Dilated pupils
 Psychosis

Anxiety Anxiety Hypertension Seizures Detzures Chest Pain

Depressants

1950's - Sleeping Pills 1960's - Barbiturates (Seconal & Phenobarbital)



1970 to present - Benzodiazepines (Valium, Librium, Xanax)

DEPRESSANTS - EFFECTS

- Slowed Down
- ➢ Sleepy
- Impaired Thinking

- Coordination
- Mood Swings
- Stressed Heart

Flip Side Withdrawal

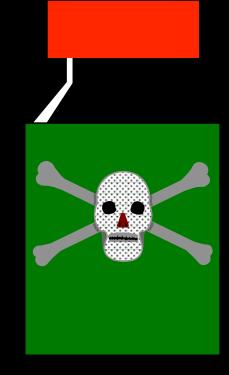
OVERDOSE:



Confusion, Cramps, Vomiting, Convulsions, Death.....

DEPRESSANTS Things To Remember

* Fast Addiction Pattern
* High % of Addiction
* High Potential for Dying



THE NATURALS:

- ✓ Opium
- ✓ Morphine
- ✓ Heroin

<u>EFFECTS</u>:

NARCOTICS

THE SYNTHETICS:

- ✓ Percodan
- ✓ Demerol
 - Codeine

Sleepy, Pinpoint Pupils, Cold Skin, Warm Body <u>*Excessíve Use:*</u>

Organ Damage, Abscesses

WITHDRAWAL: Cramps, Tremors, Nausea, Sweating, Runny Nose, Watery Eyes

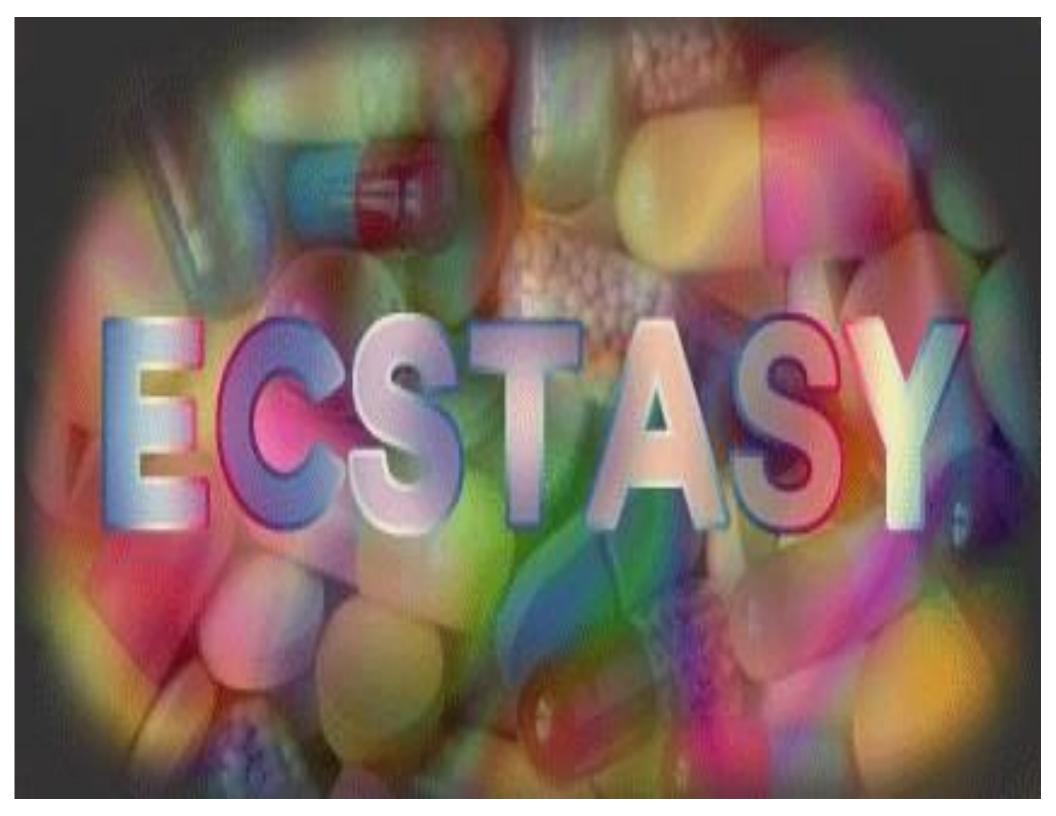
OVERDOSE Convulsions, Coma, Death

Like Alcohol and Depressants, Narcotics will slow you down. Take too many and they will slow you down permanently. Because of their strength narcotics will inflict heavy damage on your internal organs.

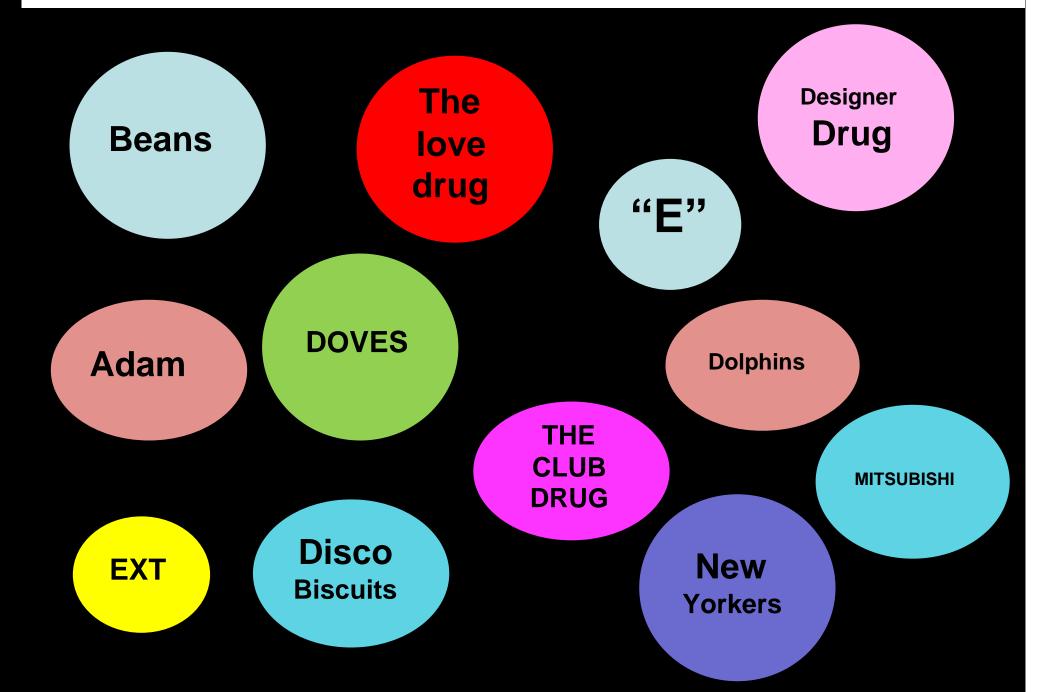
The withdrawal may not be quite as life threatening as a depressant withdrawal but with the extreme cramps, nausea etc. you may wish you would die.

Overdosing is a very real concern especially if you combine narcotics with other downers.





ECSTAESTREET NAMES



FEELINGS IT PRODUCES

- •Feelings of empathy
- •Peacefulness
- •Enhanced self-confidence
- More Energy

- Depression
- •Confusion
- •Extreme feelings of love











Long-term damage to brain
Memory and Thought loss
Damages the neurons that produce chemicals called <u>SEROTONIN</u>

•Dull mental processes

EFFECTS ON THE BODY

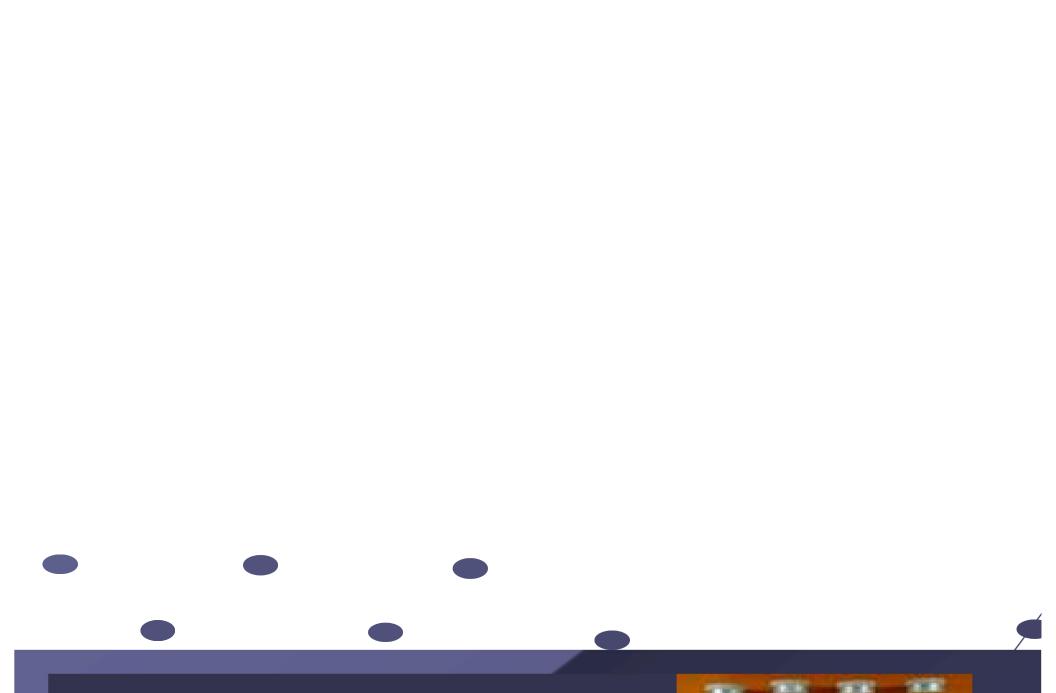


- Teeth clenching
- Nausea
- Blurred vision
- Rapid eye movement
- Faintness
- Chills/sweating
- Increase in heart rate, blood pressure, and body temperature
- Heart failure
- Dulled senses
- Tiredness and soreness

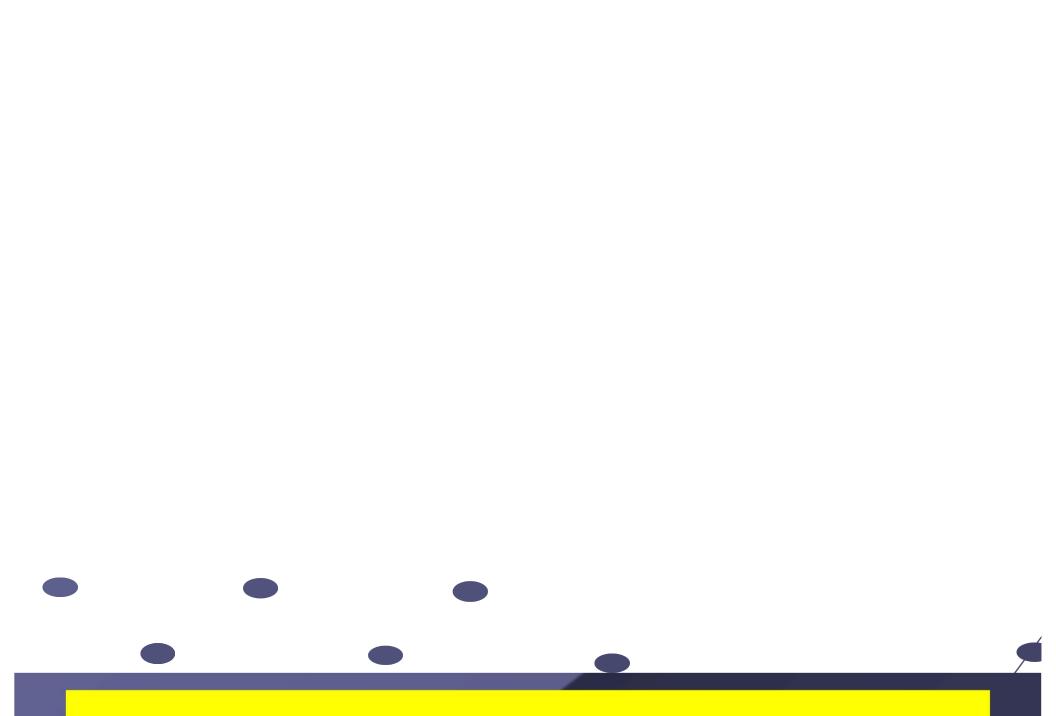
- •2.8 million teens have tried ecstasy
- •1 out of every 11 in North America
- •Most common from ages 16-25 years
- •Taken in pills or tablets
- •Sometimes snorted or smoked

•Designs are put onto tablets to make ecstasy look harmless









AMPHETAMINE

- Amphetamines are central nervous system (CNS) stimulants.
- They are used to treat ADHD and narcolepsy.
- Adverse effects include restlessness, acne, and blurred vision.
- Rarer side effects include seizures, heart problems, and psychosis.
- Amphetamines are used for recreational purposes. They are addictive.

MEDICATION NAMES

- Benzedrine
- Dexedrine
- Ritalin
- Adderral







• STREET NAMES

- Speed
- Uppers
- Black beauties
- Bumblebees
- White bennies
- 357 magnums

Is a synthetic chemical, made from a substance found in ergot, which is a fungus that infects rye (grain).
 When small doses are taken, it can produce mild changes in perception, mood and thought.
 When larger doses are taken, it may produce visual hallucinations and distortions of space and time.

- Yellow sunshine
 Boomers
 Blotter
- "Candy flipping" Trips refers to mixing LSD Yellow sunshine and Ecstasy

THE EFFECTS OF LSD USUALLY BEGIN IN 30 – 45 MINUTES AND CAN LAST FOR 4 TO 12 HOURS

- Euphoria and wellbeing
- Dilation of pupils
- Perceptual changes, such as visual and auditory hallucinations.
- Confusion and trouble concentrating
- ✤ Headaches
- Nausea
- ✤ Fast or irregularheart beat
- Increased body temperature
- Breathing quickly
- Vomiting
- ✤ Facial flushes, sweating and chills



If you take a large amount, the negative effects of LSD are more likely to happen.

- Panic
- Paranoia
- Increased risk taking
- Psychosis

BAD TRIPS

Sometimes you can experience a 'bad trip', involving a disturbing hallucination. This can lead to panic and risky behaviour, like running across a road or attempting self-harm.

COMING DOWN

In the days after using hallucinogens, the following may be experienced:

*	Insomnia
*	Fatigue
*	Body and
muscle aches	
•••	Feeling
depressed	

- We gain more tolerance for the drug. It takes more to get high.
- We become Dependant on the drug...we at first thought it was just a thing we were going to do now and then but we found we need it all the time.
- Finally we become Addicted. We will do anything to get the drug....lye, steal, even sell our body and the body of others to get the drug. We will even kill for the drug. It consumes every part of us and we

WARNING SIGNS OF ALCOHOLISM wonder....HOW DID I GET LIKE THIS....WHAT WENT WRONG????

• Being unable to control alcohol c



- Craving alcohol when you're not drinking
- Putting alcohol above personal responsibilities
- Feeling the need to keep drinking more
- Spending a substantial amount of money on alcohol
- Behaving differently after drinking



BINGE DRINKING AND ALCOHOL ADDICTION

One of the greatest dangers of binge drinking is the fact that it is an acceptable behavior in many social circles, especially on college campuses. Despite this, binge drinking is very dangerous and could place a person closer to ADDICTION.

BINGE DRINKING OCCURS WHEN A:

woman drinks four or more drinks in approximately two hours.
 man drinks five or more drinks in approximately two hours.

DRINKING TO COPE CAN CAUSE ALCOHOL ADDICTION

Certain people may begin and continue to drink as a means of coping with negative or dysfunctional psychological states, such as:

Anger & Guilt & Grief
Impulsiveness & Loneliness
Low self-esteem & A need
for approval

By using alcohol to overcome emotional distress and to produce a positive mood, a



person may be at risk for addiction. In certain cases these psychological traits or feelings may be symptoms of a more serious mental health problem. Some of the following mental illnesses have been linked to an increased risk for alcohol addiction:

Antisocial personality disorder

Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)

Bipolar disorder

Depression

Generalized anxiety disorder

Panic disorder



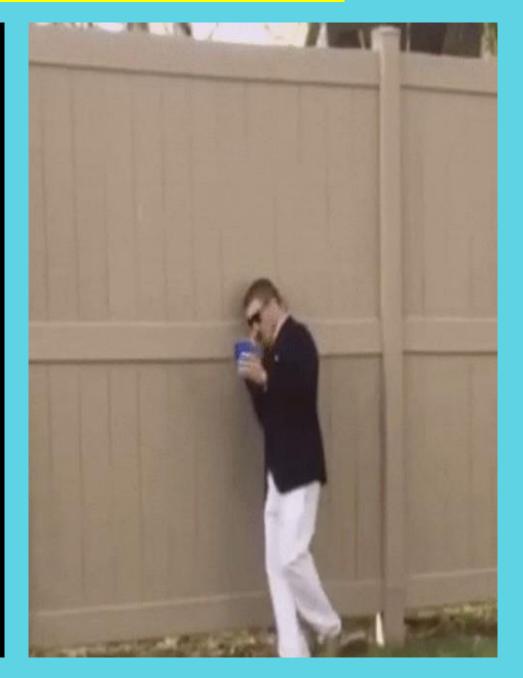
Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD)

Schizophrenia

Social anxiety disorder (social phobia)

SOME FUNNY MOMENTS WHEN DRUNK....





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FOLLOWING BEHAVIORS OF PEOPLE WITH ALCOHOL USE DISORDER :

Drinking alone

- Drinking more to feel the effects of alcohol (having a high tolerance)
- Becoming violent or angry when asked about their drinking habits
- Not eating or eating poorly
 Neglecting personal hygiene
 - missing work or school because of drinking
 being
 unable to control alcohol intake
- making excuses to drink
- continuing to drink even when legal, social, or economic problems develop
- giving up important social, occupational, or recreational activities because of alcohol use





- WHARS THE OUTLOOK FOR A PERSON WITH ALCOHOL USE DISORDER?
- Bleeding in the gastrointestinal (GI) tract
 Damage to brain cells
- Cancer in the GI tract
- 🏶 Dementia
- Depression
- 🋠 High blood pressure
- Pancreatitis (inflammation of the pancreas)
- 🌤 Nerve damage
- Changes in mental status

THE DANGERS OF ALCOHOL ABUSE

Short-term side effects of alcohol abuse: Long-term side effects of alcohol abuse:

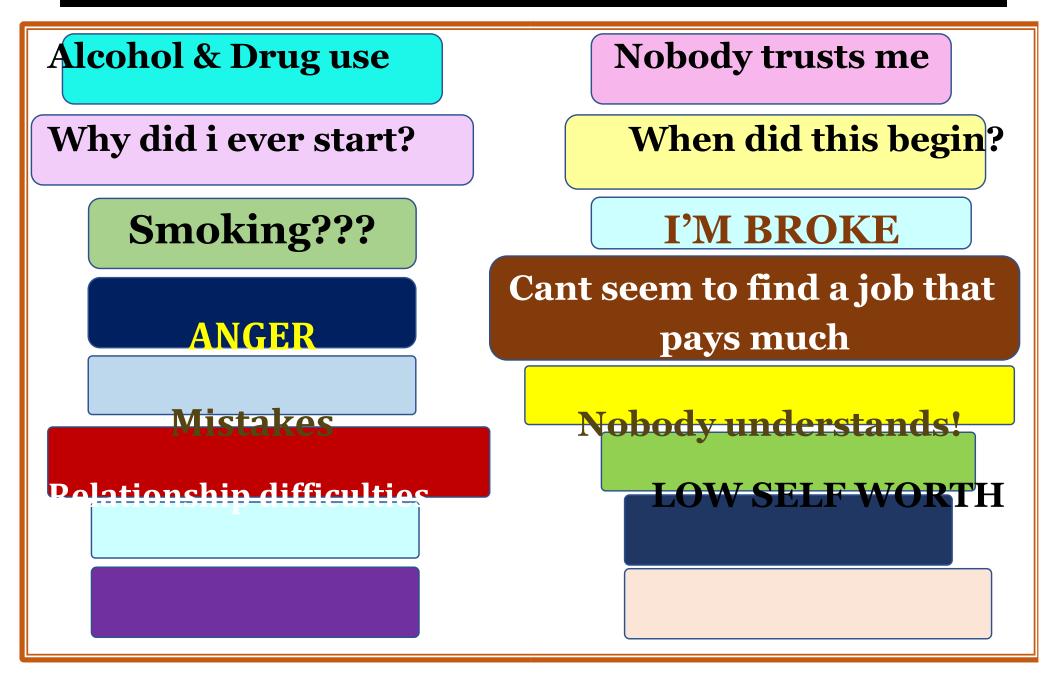
- Depression
- Trouble breathing
 Permanent brain damage
- Psoriasis
- Impaired judgment > Anxiety disorders
- > Headaches
 > Neurological impairment
- Blackouts
 Cirrhosis of the liver
- Chronic pancreatitis
- Nausea
 Hand tremors
- Distorted vision and hearing
 Compromised immune system
 High blood pressure
- Sexual problems
- Nerve damage

Vitamin B1 deficiency
Malnutrition
Gastritis



Then we get to an **"I DON'T CARE ATTITUD** and when we get there, (we don't care if we hurt ourselves or somebody else) T JUST DOESN'T MATT

EXPERIENCING TROUBLES





PAST ABUSE

MAKING CHOICES





COCAINE:

Other Names: Coke, Snow, Nose Candy, Flake, Blow, Big C, Lady, White and Snowbirds What It Looks Like: White crystalline powder How it's Administered : It's inhaled or injected

EFFECTS ON USER:

- ✓ A "high" feeling of supremacy
- ✓ Constricted peripheral blood vessels
- Dilated pupils
- ✓ Increased body temperature
- ✓ Heart rate and blood pressure
- ✓ Restlessness
- Irritability
- Paranoia
 - respiratory arrest

✓ DEATH

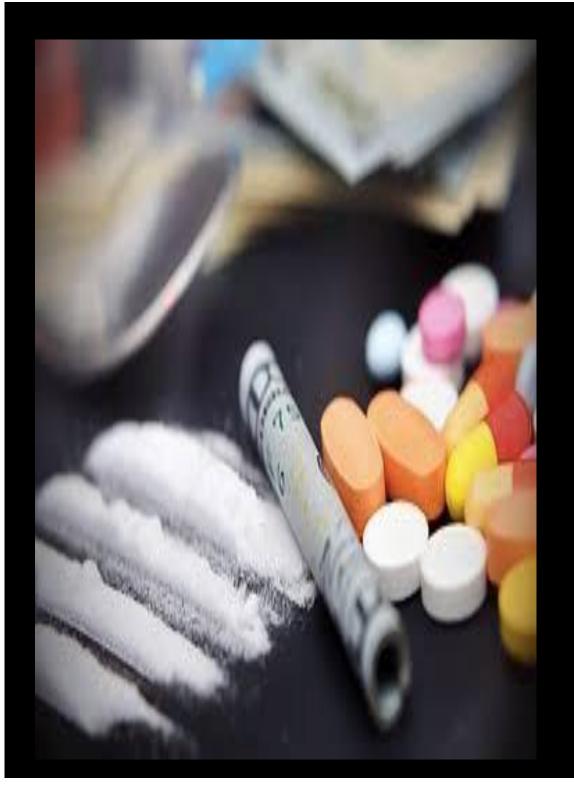


CRACK COCAINE

Other Names: Crack, rock, freebase What It Looks Like: White to tan pellets or crystalline rocks that look like soap How it's Administered: It's smoked.

EFFECTS ON USER

- ✓ Hyperstimulation
- ✓ Bizarre, erratic, sometimes violent behavior
- ✓ Hallucinations, hyperexcitability, irritability
- ✓ Panic and psychosis
- ✓ Convulsions, seizures and sudden death from high doses
 - (even one time)
- ✓ Intense euphoria





Is abused for its painkilling effects.

It is also known to bring on a SENSE OF RELAXATION.

People tend to consume more of the drug in an effort to intensify these pleasurable effects, which is often what leads to abuse.



OxyContin is commonly abused either orally or intravenously, crushed into a powder form and snorted through the nose.



Clammy skin

Slowed heartbeat

Seizures

Dizziness

Weakness



Restlessness

Anxiety

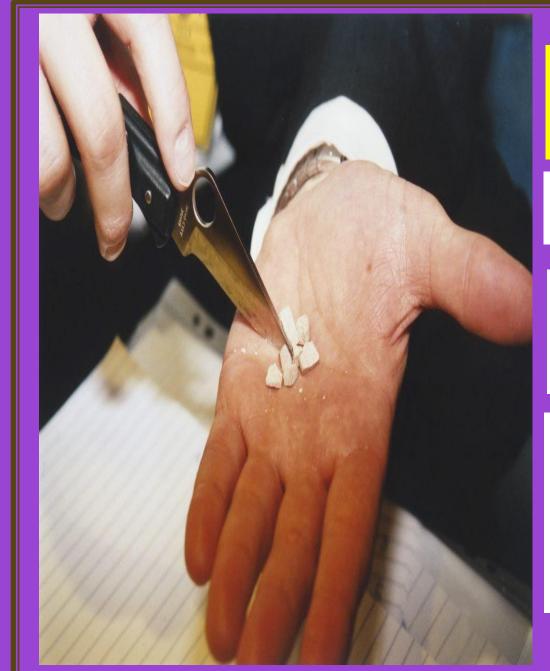
Increased heart rate

Sweating

Muscle spasms



WHAT IS FENTANYLP





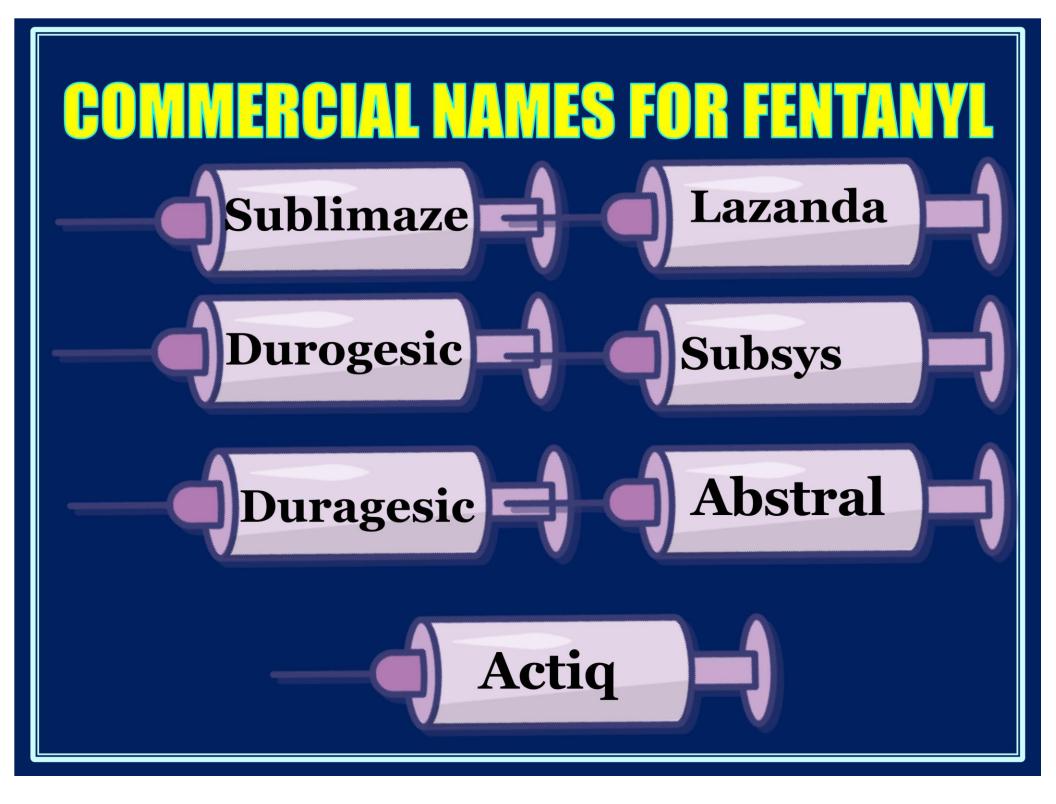
A synthetic opiate analgesic

Similar to morphine but significantly more potent.

Typically prescribed to cancer patients and those suffering from chronic or breakthrough pain.







BRAND NAMES AND FORMS OF FENTANYL



<u>Sublimaze</u>

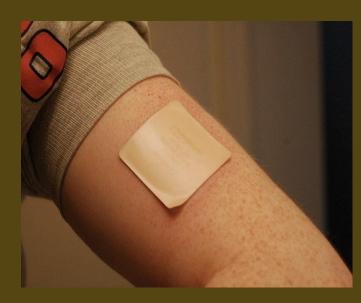
Generally administered in hospitals, sometimes alongside anesthetics, Sublimaze is the infectible form of fentanyl. It is used to manage pain before and after surgeries.



Lazanda

A fentanyl nasal spray administered in the same manner as a common nasal decongestant spray. It is predominantly used to treat pain in cancer patients.

BRAND NAMES AND FORMS OF FENTANYL



Duragesic/ Durogesic

The fentanyl patch was introduced in the 1990s. It is prescribed to treat moderate to severe pain and its effects can last for up to 3 days.





Also used for opioid-tolerant patients with breakthrough cancer pain, Abstral is the quick-dissolve tablet version of fentanyl and is placed under the tongue for immediate relief.

BRAND NAMES AND FORMS OF FENTANYL



<mark>Subsys</mark>

Is a sublingual spray administered under a patient's tongue to deliver immediate pain relief. Its purpose is to treat breakthrough cancer pain



Actiq

This form of fentanyl comes as a lozenge on a plastic stick administered under the tongue like a lollipop. It is used for patients already on pain-relieving medications and has some military applications.

How to recognize an overdose







Small, constricted "pinpoint pupils"

Falling asleep or loss of consciousness

Slow, shallow breathing

How to recognize an overdose



Choking or gurgling sounds



Limp body



Pale, blue, or cold skin



CARFENTANIL ABUSE

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN FENTANYL AND CARFENTANIL

Their similar names often lead people to the conclusion that fentanyl and carfentanil are essentially the same. <u>THEY'RE NOT</u>.

<u>FENTANYL</u>

Fentanyl is considered safe and effective when used and monitored in a medical setting.

CARFENTANIL

Carfentanil is used by veterinary practices tranquilize large animals (such as elephants).

KILLER METH

Methamphetamire



- It is a powerful, highly addictive stimulant that affects the central nervous system.
- > A synthetic drug with more rapid and lasting effects than amphetamine.

Used illegally as a stimulant and as a prescription drug.

LET'S GET TO KNOW MORE ABOUT METH

WHY DO PEOPLE USE CRYSTAL METHAMPHETAMINE?

Common reasons for using stimulant drugs such as ice include:

✓ To fit in/feel part of a social group.

 $\checkmark\,$ To reduce inhibitions and increase confidence

- ✓ Out of curiosity or to experiment
- ✓ To escape from reality
- ✓ Out of boredom
- ✓ To manage mental health issues
- ✓ To forget or help cope with problems
- ✓ To enhance work performance

✓ To enhance sexual experiences and intimacy



What Are the Signs Someone Is Using Me<mark>th</mark>



- Doesn't care about personal appearance or grooming
- > Obsessively picking at hair or skin
- Loss of appetite and weight loss
- Dilated pupils and rapid eye movement
- Staying up for days or even weeks at a time
- Erratic movements; <u>twitching</u>; facial tics; exaggerated mannerisms; and constant talking
- Borrowing money often, selling possessions, or stealing
- Angry outbursts or mood swings
- > Psychotic behavior, such as paranoia and hallucinations.

<u>ALL ADDICTIVE DRUGS HAVE 2</u> <u>THINGS IN COMMON:</u>





THE RUSH The abuser's heartbeat races and metabolism, blood pressure and

pulse soar



Hey, Lupita, settle an argument for us.

THE HIGH

The abuser often feels aggressively

smarter and becomes

argumentative.



THE BINGEThe abuser becomes hyperactive both mentally and physically.



TWEAKING

Intense itching is common and a user can become convinced that bugs are crawling under his skin.

THE STAGES OF THE METH "EXPERIENCE"



THE CRASH

The crash happens when the body shuts down, this

results in a long

METH HANGOVER

The abuser returns in a deteriorated state, starved,

period of sleep for the person.

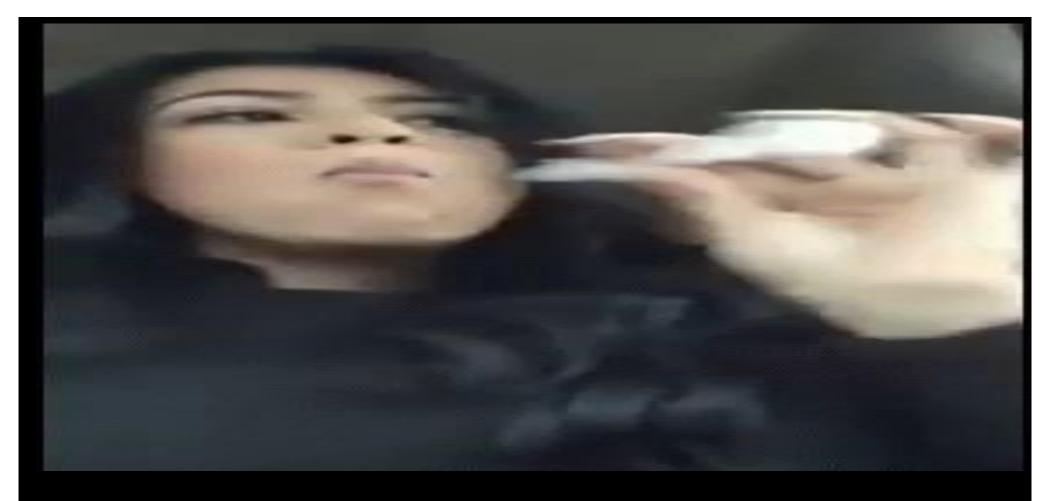
dehydrated and utterly exhausted physically, mentally and emotionally.



WITHDRAWAL

Person becomes depressed, loses his energy and the

ability to experience pleasure.



Most commonly used as a "club drug," taken while partying in night clubs or at rave parties Meth burns up the body's resources, creating a devastating dependence that can only be relieved by taking more of the drug. A poison that first acts as a stimulant and begins to destroy the body.

It is associated with serious health conditions, including memory loss, aggression, psychotic behavior and potential heart and brain damage.

THE INGREDIENTS



*****ACETONE

* EPHEDRINE/
PSEUDOEPHEDRINE* LITHIUM

***ANHYDROUS AMMONIA**

MAT BERSEL METER



CRYSTAL METH is one form of the drug, that comes in clear chunky crystals, which are then inhaled or smoked.

THE EFFECTS OF METH ON YOUR BODY

• Greater risk of stroke

TEETH • Cracked teeth and tooth loss

• Irregular heartbeat

• Interstitial lung disease

LIVER • Hepatitis from sharing needles

• Extreme appetite loss

MUSCLES

 Muscle rigidity and tremors

GASTROINTESTINAL

Death of bowel tissue

SKIN

 Sores from compulsive skin picking

IMMUNE SYSTEM
 Lowered resistance to illness

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"YOU CANNOT HELP ANYBODY THAT IN OTREADY TO BE HELPED"





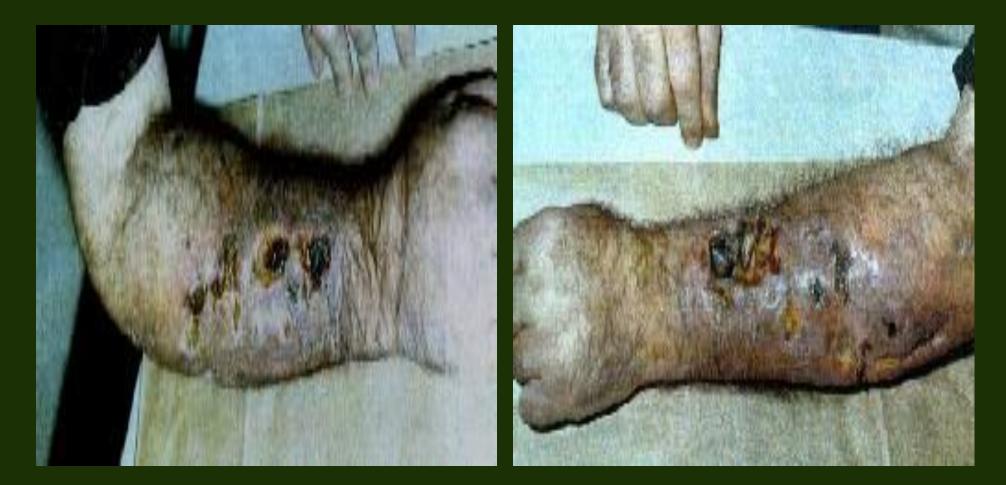


"This is by far the best drug I've tried. I'll do anything to get my hands on it"



-Former crack smoker

















MOUTH PROBLEMS:



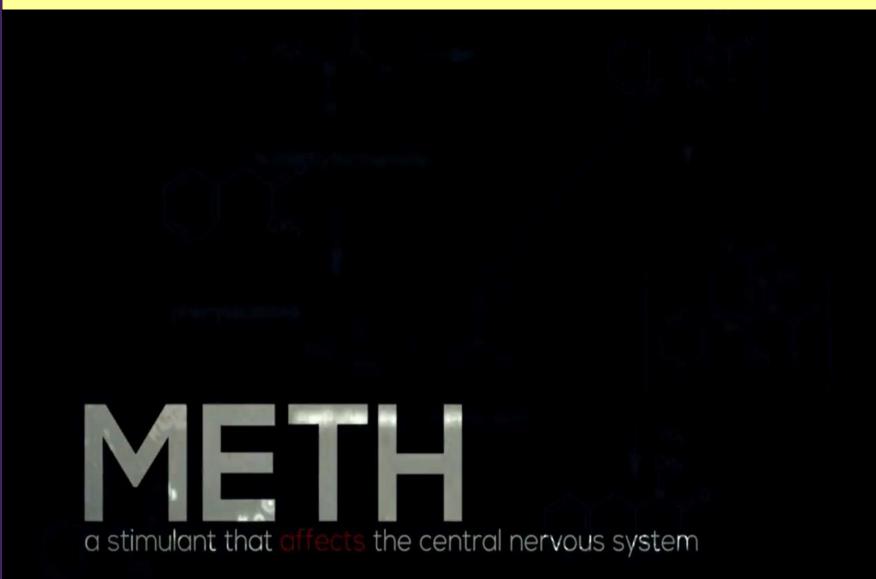
MOUTH PROBLEMS:



WEIGHT LOSS:



FACES OF METH



TAGES OF MELL











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'FARES DF METH'



Jennifer











Like Alcohol and **Depressants, Narcotics** will slow you down. Take too many and they will slow you down



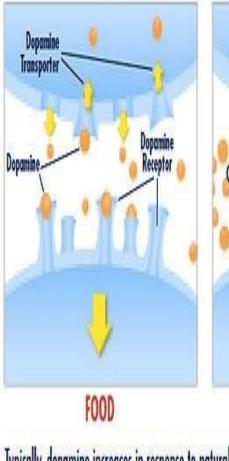


DRUGS OF ABUSE TARGET THE BRAIN'S PLEASURE CENTER

Brain reward (dopamine) pathways



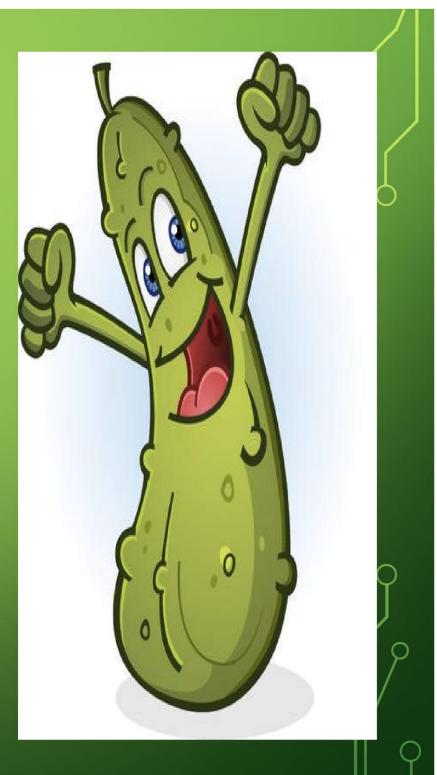
Drugs of abuse increase dopamine



ransport COCAINE

Typically, dopamine increases in response to natural rewards such as food. When cocaine is taken, dopamine increases are exaggerated, and communication is altered. THE PICKLE LINE All cucumbers can become pickles, but...

Once a pickle, you can never become a cucumber again...





BEING ABLE TO SAY "NO" TO DRUGS This means not participating in its use nor condoning it in any area of our lives.

To invite the drug culture into our lives also encourages the entrance of the gang culture.



Masking our pain and problems via drugs and alcohol has brought about several unforeseen circumstances such as: TEEN PREGNANCY
ABORTION
THEFT
VIOLENCE
PRISON
OVERDOSING and
DEATH.

ADDICTION

 <u>ALWAYS BE KIND TO SOMEONE WITH AN ADDICTION</u> <u>Show you care through your behavior</u>
 <u>LISTEN TO PERSON WITH THE ADDICTION AT</u> <u>LEAST AS MUCH AS YOU TALK</u>

Whether they are a loved one or not, a person with an addiction is more likely to confide in you

✤ <u>ALWAYS BE CONSISTENT</u>

Whenever you are with someone with an addiction, communicate through your actions as well as your words.

✤ <u>TRY TO BE PREDICTABLE</u> Set a good example.

SHOW UNCONDITIONAL LOVE OR CONCERN

Let them know that you still love or care about them, no matter how severe their addiction.

HEALTH TALK - I choose to participate in healthy discussions that will help me to understand life issues and to make healthy choices.

Topics such as death and dying, depression, suicide, hopelessness, values and morals, sex, Creator, and "how to be happy".



* * * BEING A LEADER AND NOT A FOLLOWER

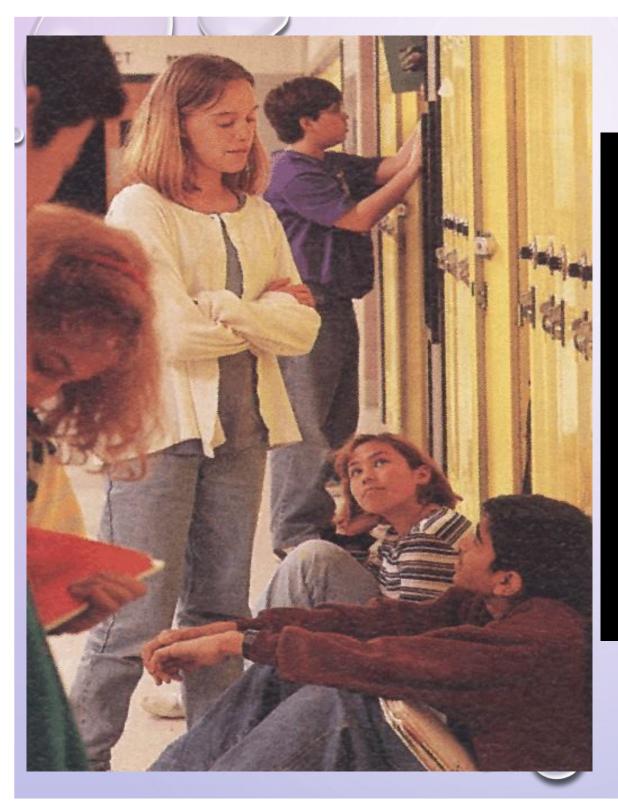
OO OFTEN MANY YOUTH FOLLOW WHAT THEIR PEERS ARE DOING

They will make a devastating decision just because hat's the direction their peers took. They will abort any plan to make any healthy lecisions for fear of looking negative in their peer's yes.

They will engage in behaviours that can even be riminal, because they are attempting to gain their peers approval.

THIS WILL CAUSE THEM TO FORSAKE AT TIMES EVEN THEIR GOALS AND DREAMS.





... Is it worth the risk?



The good news is... DRUG ABUSE IS A PREVENTABLE BEHAVIOR

AND

Drug Addiction is a TREATABLE disease

MY FRIENDS WHEN ALCOHOL AND DRUGS GRABS A HOLD OF YOU, IT WON'T LET GO UNTIL IT DAMAGES YOU OR KILLS YOU.

LETS TAKE A STAND, LET'S DO OUR PART.... LET'S SAY NO!!!!!

AND DO THE **RIGHT THING**

GIVE YOURSELF A CHANCE BECOME THE CHANGE.

TODAY IS THE REST OF YOUR LIFE. YOU HAVE THE POWER TO CHANGE AND BECOME THE BEST THAT YOU CAN BE.

DON'T LOSE HOPE! YOU HAVE THE POWER TO BE A MIRACLE.



