In reality, PEDPLE WHO USE DRUGS

Most kids believe that taking drugs is wrong and they do not want to associate with people who use them. Some people believe that alcohol, marijuana and other drugs will make them feel at ease. Others think that drugs enhance the senses

and make experiences more memorable.

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Everyone feels the pressure to go along with the crowd, to fit in, to belong. When you want to be accepted by your friends, peer pressure can be very powerful. But don't be a dope and gamble with your life... real friends accept you without compromise.

hat is the kind of risk you take when you use drugs. No matter what anyone tells you, the fact is that drugs kill. Maybe not the first time, but sooner or later using drugs will catch up with you.

Is a 30-second or 30-minute "high" worth risking the rest of your life?



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Where to Get Information?

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services and SAMSHA National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information www.samhsa.gov or 800-662-HELP

To Report Drug Activity Call The Attorney General's tip line at 800-444-8006 www.attorneygeneral.gov



KNOW THE FACTS Drugs Destroy Your Mind and Body

	Immediate Effects	Long Term Effects
Alcohol	 Initial relaxation Loss of inhibitions Impaired coordination Increased risk-taking Bad judgment Danger in driving car 	 Gastritis, pancreatitis Cirrhosis of the liver Certain cancers of the gastro-intestinal track Heart disease Brain and nerve damage
Cocaine	 Increased heart rate and blood pressure which leads to increased risk of burst blood vessels or heart failure Reduced appetite Faster breathing Increased alertness Dilation of pupils 	 Strong psychological dependence AIDS and hepatitis if injected with used/shared needle Ulcerated mucous membrane of the nose
Fentanyl	 Drowsiness Confusion Constipation Nausea Vomiting Slowed breathing 	 Chronic and severe constipation, which may lead to serious health problems such as bowel obstruction Breathing problems during sleep Heart attack and heart failure Immune system suppression Hormonal and reproductive issues Anxiety, depression, other mood disorders
Heroin	 Depressed breathing Clouded mental functioning Drowsiness Nausea and vomiting Suppression of pain 	 Changes the physical structure and physiology of the brain Profound degrees of tolerance and physical dependence Severe withdrawal symptoms Weakened immune system Respiratory illnesses Muscle weakness, partial paralysis Depression Coma
Inhalants	 Nausea, sneezing, coughing and nose bleeds Fatigue, poor coordination Increased heart and breathing rates Impaired judgement Large doses - unconsciousness and death 	 Permanent damage to nervous system Fatigue and weight loss Anxiety
LSD	 Rapid pulse, increased heart rate, elevated blood pressure and body temperature Loss of appetite Sleeplessness and tremors 	 Panic Confusion Suspicion and anxiety Loss of control
Marijuana	 Increased heart rate Bloodshot eyes Dry mouth and throat Impaired short term memory and logical thinking Altered sense of time 	 Psychological dependence Loss of drive and interest in sustained activity Regular Heavy Use Chronic bronchitis, lung cancer Impaired learning Decreased immunity
Methamphetamines	 Increased activity Reduced appetite Shaking Dangerously high body temperature 	 Suicidal or homicidal thoughts Violent behavior Tooth decay Hallucinations Insomnia Damage to the kidneys, lungs, brain, and liver
РСР	 Sense of distance and estrangement Poor muscle control Dulled senses Profuse sweating Increased breathing, blood pressure and pulse 	 Persistent memory problems and speech difficulties Depression, anxiety, violent behavior Paranoia and hallucinations Convulsions, coma, heart and lung failure

WHEN YOU BREAK THE LAW, YOU PAY THE PRICE

Possessing or selling drugs is punishable by fines and imprisonment

- Possessing a single unit of cocaine can result in up to one year imprisonment and a \$5,000 fine.
- Selling, distributing or transporting cocaine can result in up to five years imprisonment and a \$15,000 fine.
- Possession of any amount of Fentanyl is a minimum of two years in prison and a \$5,000 fine.
- F A conviction of selling drugs to a minor faces a mandatory minimum sentence of one year.
- A mandatory minimum sentence of two to four years applies if the sale or delivery to a minor takes place within 1,000 feet of a school, college or university, if the intent was for the minor to sell or deliver the drugs, or if the intent was for the minor to develop an addiction to drugs.

Pennsylvania's Zero Tolerance Law

Pennsylvania's Zero Tolerance Law carries serious consequences for those under 21 who are convicted of driving with any amount of alcohol in their blood. Those under 21 who are convicted of driving under the influence with a .02 blood alcohol content, or greater, face severe penalties, including a 12- to 18-month license suspension, 48 hours to six months in jail, and fines from \$500 to \$5,000.

