

The Dangers of Drugs



Acknowledgment

In honor of my daughter Amy Nyland and those who have died due to a drug overdose, let us face the future with courage and knowledge, hoping that we will not lose any more family members or friends to drug overdoses.

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Why Do People Do Drugs?



✓ To escape the stress and not face reality.



✓ Peer pressure and to fit in.

Why Do People Do Drugs?



✓ Family history of living with drugs.



✓ Addiction

Dangers of Marijuana



- ✓ **The marijuana plant is more powerful and harmful than ever before for youth.**



- ✓ **Marijuana can cause permanent brain IQ damage to youth's brain due to underdevelopment.**

Dangers of Marijuana



Marijuana has an impact on athletic performance.



Marijuana is linked to more car accidents because of the impairment of the drug.

Dangers of Marijuana



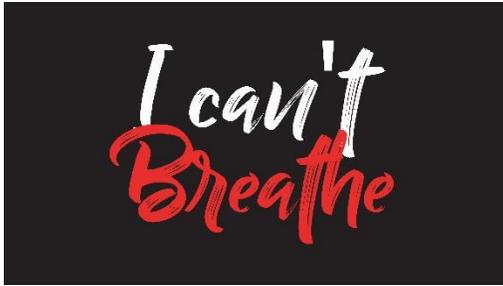
✓ Marijuana can cause prematurity, malformation, and stillbirth in a pregnant woman's babies.



✓ Marijuana goes hand in hand with mental health issues such as depression, anxiety, suicide, etc.

Danger of Narcotics

Narcotics are any drug that the government has legally found to be mind-altering and dangerous.



- ✓ Narcotics pills can cause severe respiratory depression and death.



- ✓ Narcotics pills can be addictive and hard to stop taking.

Danger of Narcotics



- ✓ Narcotics pills can cause severe withdraw and may require patient rehabilitation.



- ✓ Addiction causes you to Focus on the drug more than other things in life.

Dangers of Fentanyl



- ✓ Fentanyl is a drug that doctors use to put you to sleep during surgery.
- ✓ Drug dealers have been mixing fentanyl with other drugs.



- ✓ One pill could kill
- ✓ No street drug is safe or can be trusted not to have fentanyl in it.

Dangers of Fentanyl



- ✓ Too much fentanyl slows down your breathing, can cause brain damage and even death.
- ✓ Too much fentanyl causes you not to wake up.



- ✓ Too much fentanyl causes pinpoint eyes.
- ✓ Narcan or 911 is needed immediately if a person cannot wake up.

Dangers of Cocaine



- ✓ Cocaine is a white powder that drug users snort up their nose, shoot in their arms, or smoke in a pipe.
- ✓ Cocaine is a very addictive drug.
- ✓ Cocaine is a hazardous drug. It can speed up your heart and cause a heart attack, stroke, and even death.
- ✓ Cocaine can cause tracks on your arms, damage your nose, and even cause seizures.

Dangers of Cocaine



- ✓ Cocaine can cause you to steal from your friends and even family to get the drug.



- ✓ Cocaine can cause people and teens to become homeless.



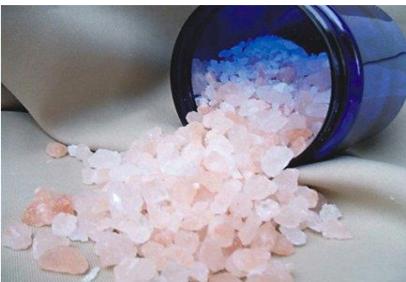
- ✓ Cocaine can break up families.

Dangers of synthetic drugs

Synthetic drugs are imitation drugs using artificial dangerous chemical materials.



✓ Some synthetic drugs are spice, k2, bubble bath, and N-bomb.



✓ Synthetic marijuana can cause violent behaviors, paranoia, delusions, racing heartbeat, hallucinations, nausea and vomiting, suicidal ideation. Long-term effects can be memory loss and loss of movement.



✓ Bath salt drugs can cause hallucinations, Violent behavior, nightmares, stomach problems, headaches, and dizziness. Long term, they can cause depression, brain damage, kidney and liver failure, and possibly death.

Dangers of Crystal Methadone



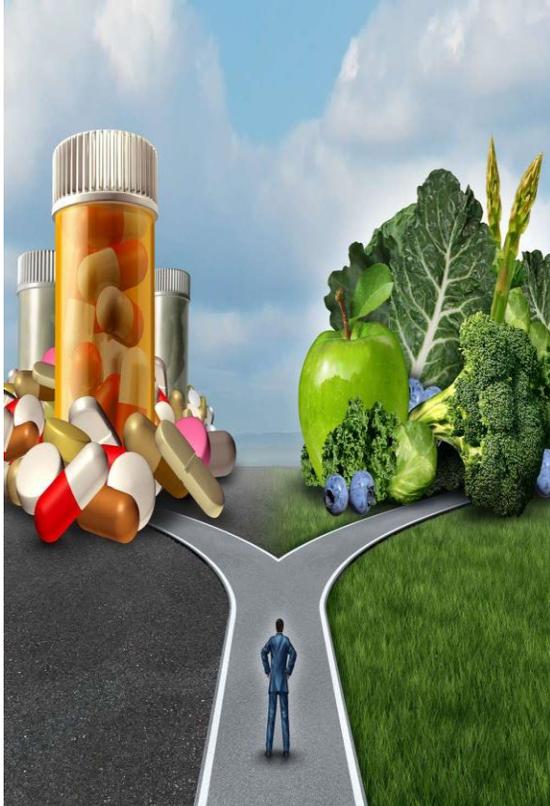
- ✓ The dangers of crystal meth are cardiovascular disease, mental health problems, personal and professional ruin, and death.



People before and after using drug photos.

Methadone harms your appearance and mental health.

Dangers of drugs



Bad Path

- ✓ Bad school grades
- ✓ Drug addiction
- ✓ Homelessness
- ✓ No family
- ✓ No money
- ✓ Hungry for food
- ✓ Drug overdose

Good Path

- ✓ Good school grades
- ✓ Nice home
- ✓ Nice car
- ✓ Family
- ✓ Enough money
- ✓ Long life
- ✓ Healthy diet

What to do if Someone tries to get you to do drugs.

- ✓ **No thank you I don't use drugs.**
- ✓ **Say you're trying to keep healthy to improve your sports performance.**
- ✓ **Say you must study for a large test / attend a performance, babysit, etc. and after a night of drinking/drugs, you can't do that.**
- ✓ **Explain your parent are strict and you will get in big trouble.**
- ✓ **If all else fails, just leave and maybe it is time to find some new friends.**



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