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**New street names for drugs: Smiles, Bath Salts, Spice, Molly, Foxey, Krokodil, Kratom, Dragonfly**

**-Drugs are huge problems in rural areas! You can get the paraphernalia in head shops. Or smoke shops. It is not illegal to buy pipes, etc. as long as you sign a paper that states you will use the pipe for smoking tobacco. Most smoke shops only take cash and do not give receipts. Gas stations are another place where you can buy Bath Salts and paraphernalia.**

**-Since 1988 there has been an onslaught of “designer drugs”. They are called this because there is only a slight change in the chemical structure. They do this because certain ingredients are banned by law. Therefore, they make one small change. These drugs are *analogues* . It does NOT mean they are safer; in fact, you do not know what you are getting.**

**-DAWN: a software surveillance system that tracks the stats of drug issues in hospital ER’s.**

**STIMULANTS**

**Ecstasy**

**-There are numerous drugs in the Ecstasy family. (MDMA) in 1985 they became illegal are have been listed as Schedule 1.**

**-MDMA’s are a mixture of stimulants and amphetamines. They work on both dopamine and serotonin.**

**-People feel MDNA’s get more attention with the law because they are used by rich white kids, and that is who the public cares about.**

**-Molly (Mol-E) is simply molecular ecstasy.**

**Other drugs similar to Ecstasy**

**-Smiles, Schedule 1**

**-Dragonfly (named because the Chemical formula resembles a dragonfly, but it has a lot more hallucinogenic…like LSD. It is not Scheduled yet.**

**-BZP (stimulant) is benzyl piperazine and is very popular in Australia and New Zealand.**

**Bath Salts**

**-Metcathinone is only slightly different from Bath Salts. It is very big in Russia, and in the USA with African immigrants.**

**-Bath Salts are also called “Plant Food”, “Lady Bug Attractant”. It started in Europe, and has only been in the USA for a few years.**

**-Bath Salts say “not for human consumption” on the package simply so that it will never fall under the FDA jurisdiction.**

**-Bath Salts have been banned in over 20 states so far, and chemists have been hired by the government to anticipate the next ingredient that the drug manufacturers will use to avoid the law. Therefore, a whole bunch of similar ingredients have been banned even though they aren’t currently in drugs right now.**

**-Keep in mind that ANY stimulant can make you psychotic and paranoid when used in large doses. Sometimes these episodes of psychosis and paranoia can last for months.**

**-OPIOIDS**

**GABA- This is synthetic pot that can cause seizures. Regular pot does not cause seizures. There is also much more psychosis with the synthetic pot. It attacks the same part of the brain as alcohol and sedatives.**

**-Opiate Frozen Addicts: These refer to the kids who developed Parkinson’s from the synthetic opiate Fentynlyn. In the Salisbury case, the one kid lived and they were able to trace it back to a lab in Mexico.**

**-Common pain prescriptions such as Ultram and Tramadol can cause seizures when misused.**

**-Krocodil is when drug users take codeine and dissolve it in gasoline and then inject it into their arm. Codeine was over the counter in Russia until recently. It eats the skin away until huge chunks of skin and muscle are missing, thus looking like a crocodile bite.**

**-Ketamine is used in anesthetics and put in Kratom. It is similar to Magic Mushrooms and is very big on the West Coast, especially San Francisco .**

**-Boorachas: Scopalamine is a pain med that makes a person like a zombie who will do whatever you say. Supposedly, you have total control over the person you give it to. It is often used in rapes and robberies. Prostitutes rub in on their breasts and when the johns lick it off, they are easy to rob.**

**-Tryptamines: There are hundreds of these types of drug. They work like Magic Mushrooms and “Foxey Methoxy”.**

**Other Drugs**

**-People who cannot get powdered cocaine will take a crack rock and dissolve it in vinegar or lemon juice and inject it.**

**-AWOL: Alcohol without liquid is when a drug user gets a nebulizer and pours the alcohol over dry ice to form a mist that they breathe in. The danger here is that it bypasses the stomach (and is popular because you avoid calories) and goes straight to the brain without giving any time to process it.**