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#### Why Are We Here?

- Your Children WILL come into contact with drugs.
- Some....but not all will use and experiment with these drugs.
- We've already given educational drugs advice to students and the aim is to make YOU better prepared, to know what to look out for with your children. Together we have a duty to safeguard young adults.

### Types Of Drugs We Will Be Focusing On

- Cannabis
- Ketamine
- MDMA/Ecstasy
- Cocaine
- Spice
- MCAT
- Nitrous Oxide

These are all drugs that we as a Constabulary are regularly finding teenagers in possession of.



#### **Cannabis**

Green Dried leaves and plant material.

Smoked with or without Tobacco, usually hand rolled into a 'joint'

Causes euphoria, relaxation, hallucinations hilarity and increased appetite.

Look out for glazed eyes with large pupils, distinctive herbal smell, torn cigarette papers and packets.



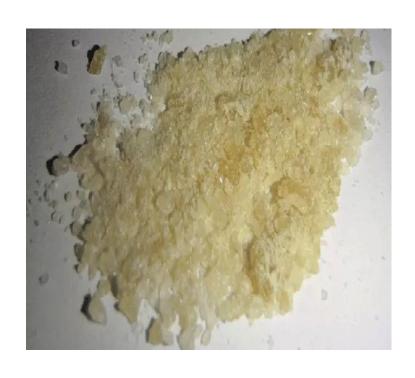
#### **Ecstasy/MDMA**

Various coloured and shaped tablets with or without motifs.

Taken orally

Causes increased energy, heightened perception of colour and sound. Some hallucinations

Look out for lack of co-ordination, anxious or confused state. Paranoia and insomnia.



#### Crystal MDMA.

Off white crystal substance

Taken orally or snorted.

Causes increased energy, heightened perception of colour and sound. Some hallucinations. Quicker than tablet form.

Look out for lack of co-ordination, anxious or confused state. Paranoia and insomnia.



#### **Ketamine**

Clear liquid, White powder or tablets.

Usually snorted, but can be used with cannabis or tobacco. Can be injected.

Causes hallucinations, visual distortions, loss of sense of time and identity. Incapacity lasts between 1.5 and 3 hours.

Look out for white powder or tablets.



#### **Mephedrone**

Formerly a 'legal high'. Sold as plant food. White or off white powder or capsules.

Snorted or taken orally.

Similar to ecstasy. 1 – 5 minutes after taking the drug, users report a sudden rush causing euphoria. Extreme alertness, increased serotonin in the brain.

Look out for extreme hyperactivity, talkativeness and sweating.



#### **Cocaine**

White slightly crystalline powder.

Snorted or in extreme cases injected.

Increased alertness and pulse rate, increased blood pressure, false sense of high energy and euphoria.

Look out for Nervousness, irritability, loss of appetite and weight, prolonged periods of sleep.



#### **SPICE/Synthetic Cannaboids**

Similar in appearance to herbal cannabis

Hand rolled and smoked in a 'joint'. Smoked in pipes or bongs. Can be taken orally in food.

Synthetic cannabis imitates the psychological effects of regular cannabis, These include but not limited to, euphoria, relaxation, hilarity and increased appetite.

Look out for lack of co-ordination, glazed eyes, large pupils, distinctive herbal smell. Zombie like state



#### Nitrous Oxide/NOS

Found in small gas cannisters

Usually emptied into a balloon, before being inhaled in one deep breath.

Feelings of euphoria, and relaxation. Hallucinations. Slows down your brain and body functions.

Look out for dizziness, difficulty in thinking straight.

Instant death can be caused by lack of Oxygen.

#### What Do I Need To Look Out For ?

- Asking for more money/Cash goes missing
- Change in behaviour
- New friends, new social groups.
- Physically attached to phone
- Pale face, enlarged pupils.
- You know them better than anyone.. Somethings just not right!
- Smell on clothes
- ► Lack of concentration/Change in school grades
- Small resealable bags
- Increased sickness/nosebleeds

#### Mobile Phones.

- ► These days an important part of everyday life.
- Drug dealing or purchasing does not happen without mobile phones.
- Majority of evidence in drug related offences come from phones.
- Check their mobile phones and usage.
- Majority of you pay for the phones. Limit access and capability.
- Be aware of WhatsApp, Snap Chat, Messenger, Facebook.. etc.
- Police will not criticise you for looking through your Child's phone.

#### Acronyms and Meanings

- P.I.R Parents in room
- **P.L.O.S** Parents looking over shoulder
- 9 Parent watching
- 99 Parent gone
- **CD9** Parents around
- **K.P.C** Keep parents clueless

- **D.O.C** Drug of choice
- 420 Cannabis
- **LIT** High/Intoxicated
- **Spun-Yun** Young person on drugs
- P.A.W Parents are Watching
- **5-0** Police.

#### Have You Heard Them Mentioned?

- ► Kush
- Cheese
- Skunk
- Draw
- Molly
- Mandy
- Crow
- Kat

- Meow Meow
- E
- Bud
- ► Moon Rocks
- ► Special K
- White
- ▶ Charlie

#### What Is The Law On Drugs?

#### Misuse of Drugs Act 1971

An act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom, to make new provision with respect to dangerous or otherwise harmful drugs and related matters, and for purposes connected therewith.



## Class A Class B Class C

- Crack cocaine
- Cocaine
- Ecstasy (MDMA)
- Heroin
- LSD
- Magic mushrooms
- Methadone
- Methamphetamine

- Amphetamines.
- Ketamine.
- Cannabis.
- Codeine.
- Methylphenidate (Ritalin).
- SPICE.
- Mephedrone

- Steroids
- Diazepam
- Tramadol
- Rohypnol
- Zopiclone

CLASS	DRUG	POSSESSION	SUPPLY AND PRODUCTION
A	Cocaine. Heroin. Ecstasy. LSD	Up to <b>7</b> years in prison/ unlimited fine	Up to life in prison/unlimited fine
В	Cannabis. Amphetamine. SPICE. Ketamine.	Up to <b>5</b> years in prison/ unlimited fine	Up to 14 in prison/unlimited fine
C	Steroids. Ketamine. Diazepam.	Up to <b>2</b> years in prison/ unlimited fine	Up to 14 in prison/unlimited fine

# What Happens When Your Child Is Arrested For Drugs Offences..?

- They will be handcuffed and placed in a Police vehicle constantly supervised.
- Your home will be searched
- You will be expected to attend custody to act as appropriate adult.
- They will be strip searched in front of two officers
- They will be placed into a Police cell on their own.
- They will appear in front of a court

#### The Future For Your Child?

Certain Universities will not accept applications from those with Drugs Convictions.

You will not be able to do the following jobs with a drugs conviction.

- Police Officer
- Fire Service
- NHS Ambulance/Doctor/Nurse
- Civil Servant
- Teacher
- Retail (Certain Areas)
- Child Care
- Armed Services will not accept anyone convicted of drug dealing.

#### Holiday and Travel

The following countries will not allow you to obtain a travel visa with a drugs conviction.

USA

CHINA

CANADA

AUSTRALIA

NEW ZEALAND

### Safeguarding

- Our primary goal is the safeguarding of young people.
- The best way to safeguard them is to target those people dealing drugs to your Children.
- To accomplish this, we need help from within the community...
- The best intelligence Police receive, often comes from concerned parents with Children at school.
- Please... Report anything you think may be of interest to Police.
- We are not looking to unnecessarily criminalise juveniles, our main target is the established local drug dealers.

### How Do I Report Something?

- **1**01
- Gloucestershire Constabulary Website.
- Crimestoppers

- All reports can be made anonymously.
- Good Information leads to warrants, arrests and convictions in and around the county.

#### Its Good To Talk...

- www.talktofrank.com
  - www.adfam.org.uk
- www.supportline.org
- www.drugscope.org
  - www.nhs.uk
- www.crimestoppers-uk.org