

**Substance Abuse  
&  
Hazard Recognition in the Home:**

**A Special Presentation to  
Sacramento County Social Services**



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**Opiates**

# OBJECTIVE SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF OPIATE INFLUENCE

## EYES:

NO HGN  
NO VGN  
NO STRABISMUS  
CONSTRICTED PUPILS  
SLOW TO NO  
REACTION TO LIGHT  
DROOPY EYELIDS

## OTHER SIGNS:

EUPHORIA  
CONSTIPATION  
DIFFICULTY IN  
URINATION  
NAUSEA  
FORGETFULNESS

## PHYSICAL SIGNS:

SLOW RHOMBERG  
SLOW MOVEMENTS  
FLACCID MUSCLE TONE  
IMPAIRED DIVIDED ATTENTION

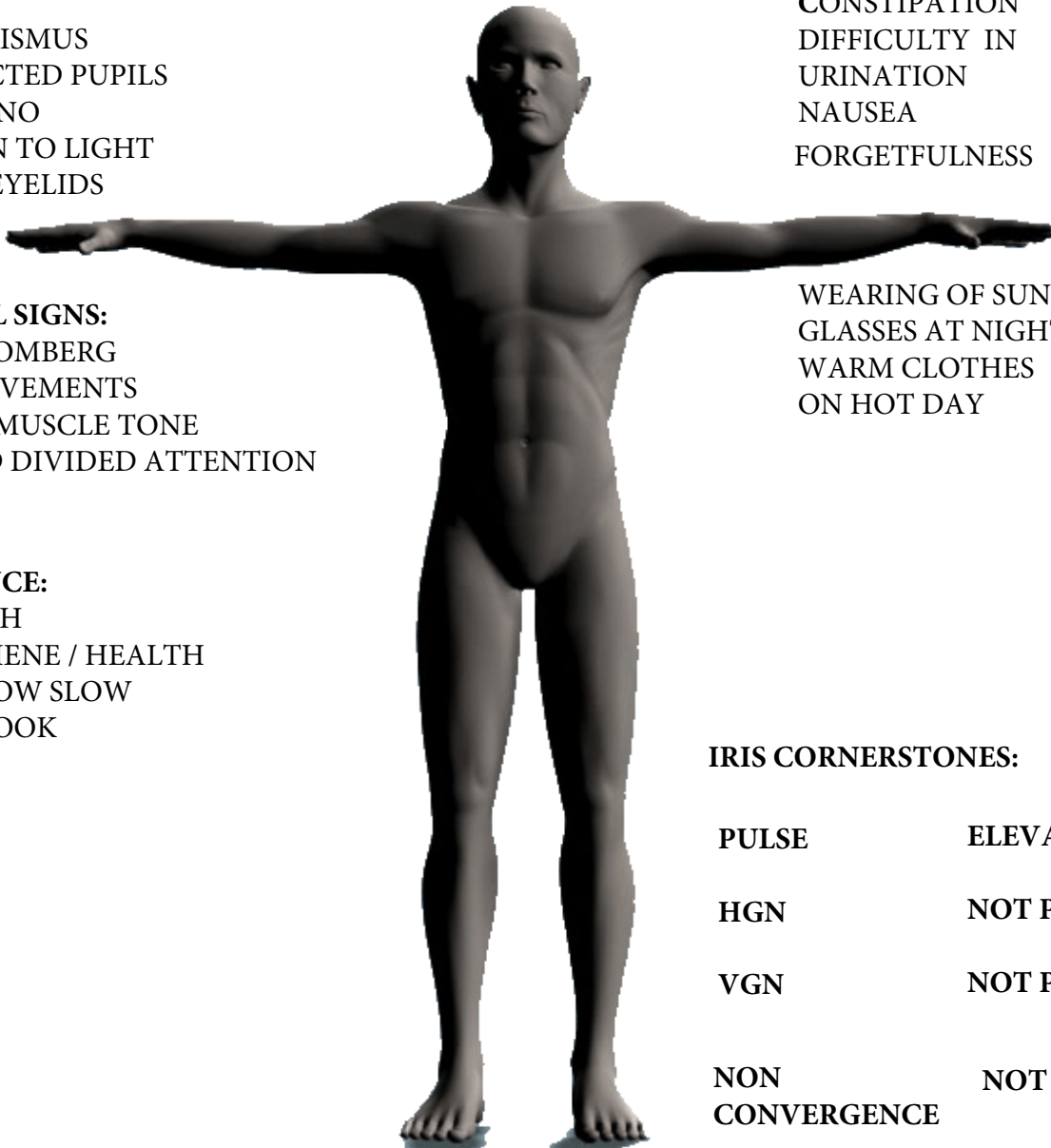
WEARING OF SUN  
GLASSES AT NIGHT  
WARM CLOTHES  
ON HOT DAY

## APPEARANCE:

DRY MOUTH  
POOR HYGIENE / HEALTH  
SPEECH / LOW SLOW  
DROWSY LOOK

## IRIS CORNERSTONES:

PULSE	ELEVATED
HGN	NOT PRESENT
VGN	NOT PRESENT
NON CONVERGENCE	NOT PRESENT
PUPILLARY SIZE	DILATED
PUPILLARY REACTION	SLOW TO NONE
RHOMBERG	SLOW





# CONFESSIONS OF A TEENAGE ADDICT

Yo, my name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I am a junior in high school and am currently 17 years old. I just wanted to talk a little bit about my drug use. I have abused a numerous amount of drugs. Including marijuana (smoked everyday for around 2 years), Ecstasy (MDMA), DXM, oxycodone, codeine, morphine, fentanyl, methadone, heroin, oxymorphone, and most likely a lot more opiates that I cannot remember at the moment, Gabapentin, loperamide, which is an opiate used to counteract diarrhea and it actually has a VERY strong effect in high doses. F\*\*king surprised me because you can basically get this shit anywhere. Its an OTC medication. LSA, LSD, trazodone, salvia and I think that's about it but I dunno.

Well, opiates have always been the most euphoric and pleasant of drugs for me. And I have become extremely addicted to these things for around a year now. I have finally quit and its hard as f\*\*k not to use. I first started using Oxycontin, for around 6 months. Then that started to have no effect cuz of tolerance. At the end of my oxycontin use I was using at least 300-400mg just to feel a mild effect. So I started to look for methadone. My favorite opiate that I have ever tried. Lasts FOREVER. At the beginning of my methadone use (always getting 10mg tabs) I was taking around 7-12 tabs a day. After about a month of that I was using around 20 tabs a day. Then I remember one night after JUST A MONTH of using methadone it TOTALLY stopped working. I remember I took 30 tabs one night. And felt

nothing. I was crying so hard after that happened. I was scared as f\*\*k. This drug didn't work but I was stuck with this huge f\*\*king addiction on my back. If I stopped I would go into convulsions/seizures, hot cold sweats. couldn't move at all. Just laying there in the worst state of mind possible. I was shaking constantly I couldn't eat, had the shits vomiting every 10-20 minutes. And there are so much more symptoms that just can not be put into words. And that was the 3rd night of me not having methadone.

I decided to try and use oxycontin to counteract my withdrawals. Well that worked for 3 days until the methadone was fully out of my system. I remember that night so well. I had snorted around 400mgs of oxycontin. And then. The withdrawals. I started shaking uncontrollably, got the worst headache of my life. Just started balling like hell. And stayed up all night just having the symptoms getting worse and worse. Then after around 24 hours I finally got my methadone. And was feeling a lot better. Well me being on methadone went on for around 5 more months just maintaining feeling normal but really it isn't feeling normal. I can't even remember what normal feels like. Its just me not being sick. And having NO emotions. Which I really yearned for when I first started using opiates. And when I didn't have methadone I would go straight to the good ole' Heroin. That didn't get me high at all and helped the symptoms some what. I would have to IV at least .5 of a gram every hour not feel a great amount of pain. Then when I got my methadone everything was fine. But horrible at the same time. I just could not go threw the withdrawals. I was really lucky I didn't commit suicide that day when I didn't have my dones. If I did go threw withdrawals again I would most likely commit suicide.

So I was scare as f\*\*k. Me and my mother were looking for a Buprenorphine doctor for months. And then finally after about the 6 or 7th month mark we FINALLY found a doctor. I went in there in horrible withdrawl to say the least. The doctor was a dick at first but was actually pretty cool. He gave me 4mg then another 4mg



and then another 4mg and i was still feeling horrible. I hate buprenorphine cuz i dont get good effects. I get every bad side effect possible from that damn opiate. I've tried a lotta opiates and have never ever had any bad side effects. Well, when i first started buprenorphine i was taking around 12mg a day for around a month. Then i just wanted to get off and slowly reduced my dose untill 2mg at the end of the month. I thought i wouldn't really have any bad withdrawals from it. But yeah just like any other opiate the withdrawals were the exact same but more like me comming off oxycontin. Really bad. Not even close to methadone but they are horrible.

i am still goin threw minor withdrawals. I just take loperamide to counteract the withdrawals and it works f\*\*kin good. I take around 40mg at a time. And it lasts a very long time. I've just started using loperamide about a week ago. Before that i had relapsed 3 times. I slammed 60mg of OC when it was around the 6 or 7th day of me being off of bupe. The come down from that was pretty bad. Then a couple days after that i just couldn't get opiates off of my mind. So i bought methadone. took 5 then 10 minutes later popped another. I was feeling amazing. Best i've ever felt in a very long time. Then around 4 hours after popping 6 i popped my last three. And felt pretty damn good. then 2 days after that i got more methadone. And took 4. which did basically nothing exept get ride of my WDs. And that was my last time abusing an opiate. Its been around a week and a half since then And im feeling horrible. F\*\*kin horrible. Aching all the time, thoughts racing

I, (THE AUTHOR) FOUND THIS ON THE COMPUTER OF A 17 YEAR OLD, WHO WAS DISCOVERED BY HIS MOTHER IN HIS BEDROOM WITH NO PULSE. HE HAD DIED OF AN OPIATE OVERDOSE. THE AUTOPSY REVEALED THAT HE HAD SEVEN DIFFERENT OPIATES IN HIS SYSTEM, WITH FOUR BEING A OVERDOSE LEVELS.

EMBARASSED BY HER SON'S ADDICTION, THE MOTHER CLEANED UP THE

PHARMACEUTICAL OPIATES AND SYRINGES FROM THE ROOM BEFORE OUR TEAM ARRIVED AT THE SCENE. HE WAS A VERY POPULAR TEEN IN HIS SMALL HIGH SCHOOL AND HIS DEATH WAS THE SPARK FOR CREATING A SCHOOL WIDE PHARMACEUTICAL INFORMATION CAMPAIGN AND ENFORCEMENT ACTION THAT INVOLVED TREATMENT OF THE TEENAGE ADDICTS AND ABUSERS AT THE SCHOOL.

## **OPIATES (OPIUM POPPY EXTRACTS OR MODIFIED EXTRACTS)**

<b>DRUG NAME</b>	<b>TRADE NAME</b>	<b>STREET NAME</b>
OPIUM	PANTOPON, PAREGORIC LAUDANUM	“O”, OP, POPPY, DODA
CODEINE W/ASPIRIN OR TYLENOL	(EMPIRIN W/CODEINE) TYLENOL W/CODEINE CODEINE W/DORIDEN	NUMBER 4’S (1 GRAIN) NUMBER 3’S (½ GRAIN) LOADS, SETS, 4’S & DOORS
MORPHINE		MURPHY, MORPH, M, MISS EMMA
DIACETYL MORPHINE	HEROIN	SMACK, JUNK, TAR, (CHIVA, PURO, GOMA, PUTA), MEXICAN BROWN, CHINA WHITE, HARRY, SKAG, RUFUS, PERZE, “H”, DAVA, BOY
HYDROCODONE	HYCODAN, VICODIN	
HYDROMORPHONE	DILAUDID	DILLIES, DRUGSTORE HEROIN
OXYCODONE	PERCODAN, TYLOX	PERCS, OXY, OC, ROXY, ROXIES, OXYCONTIN

## **OPIOIDS (SYNTHETIC OPIATES)**

METHADONE	DOLOPHINE	JUICE, DONES
PROPOXYPHENE	DARVON, DARVOCET-N	PINK LADIES, PUMPKIN SEEDS
MEPERIDINE	DEMEROL	
FENTANYL	SUBLIMAZE	STREET DERIVATIVES ARE MISREPRESENTED AS CHINA WHITE
PENTAZOCINE	TALWIN	PART OF “T’S AND BLUES”
1-ALPHA ACETYL	LAAM	LAM
METHADOL (LONG-ACTING METHADONE)		

## “DRANK”

“LEAN,” “BARRE,” “PURPLE STUFF,” “SIZZURP,” AND “DRANK” ARE STREET NAMES FOR COUGH SYRUP CONTAINING CODEINE AND PROMETHAZINE HYDROCHLORIDE (CPHCS).

THIS COUGH SYRUP COMBINATION HAS BECOME A POPULAR DRUG OF CHOICE FOR AFRICAN-AMERICAN TEENAGERS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS (ELWOOD, 2001; PETERS, KELDER ET AL., 2003).

ITS ABUSE HAS EVOLVED IN CONNECTION WITH “SCREW” MUSIC, A POPULAR AND INNOVATIVE FORM OF HIP-HOP MUSIC WITH ITS ORIGINS IN HOUSTON, TEXAS. DJ SCREW, A HIP-HOP HOUSTON RAPPER WHO DIED OF AN OVERDOSE OF THIS DRUG, CREATED AN OFF-SHOOT OF THE INNER-CITY RAP MUSIC MEDIUM WITH THE DISTINGUISHING FEATURE OF A MARKEDLY SLOWED BEAT CALLED “SCREW” MUSIC.

THE FOLLOWING PICTURES ARE FROM A SEIZURE BY LAPD NARCOTICS. LARGE SEIZURES OF PROMETH BEING SHIPPED FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TO TEXAS HAS BEEN OCCURRING. FOUND PREDOMINANTLY WITH BLACK STREET GANGS, IT IS SPREADING TO MANY OTHERS DUE TO YOUTUBE AND OTHER WEBSITES.





## “CRUNK JUICE”

PROMETHAZINE WITH CODEINE IS A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE AND DUE TO ITS POPULARITY A “STREET VERSION” HAS BEEN DEVELOPED TO EMULATE THE ORIGINAL. IT IS CALLED “CRUNK JUICE” OR “CRUNKING.”

ONE POPULAR FORMULA REQUIRES THE MIXING OF CRUSHED OPIATE PAIN PILLS SUCH AS PERCOCET OR VICODIN INTO SPRITE WITH VARYING AMOUNTS OF OVER-THE-COUNTER COUGH SYRUPS SUCH AS “NYQUIL COUGH.”

THIS PRODUCES A SIMILAR EFFECT BUT IS VERY EASILY ABUSED TO A LEVEL OF OVERDOSE DEPENDING ON THE STRENGTH OF THE OPIATE PILL(S) THAT ARE USED. \\\ THIS IS VERY POPULAR AMONGST THE YOUTH ON THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS AND ON THE MAINLAND OF THE UNITED STATES.







**OPIUM POPPIES**



**OPIUM OOZING FROM POD**



**OPIUM POPPIES WITHOUT PETALS**



**"BLACK TAR" HEROIN**



**"MEXICAN BROWN" HEROIN**



**PREPARING HEROIN FOR INJECTION**





**SMOKING HEROIN**



**SPOON USED FOR HEROIN**



**BOTTOM OF CAN USED FOR HEROIN**



**"HYPE KIT" FOR HEROIN**



**HYPODERMIC SYRINGES WITH BOTH  
NEEDLE AND PLUNGER CAPS**

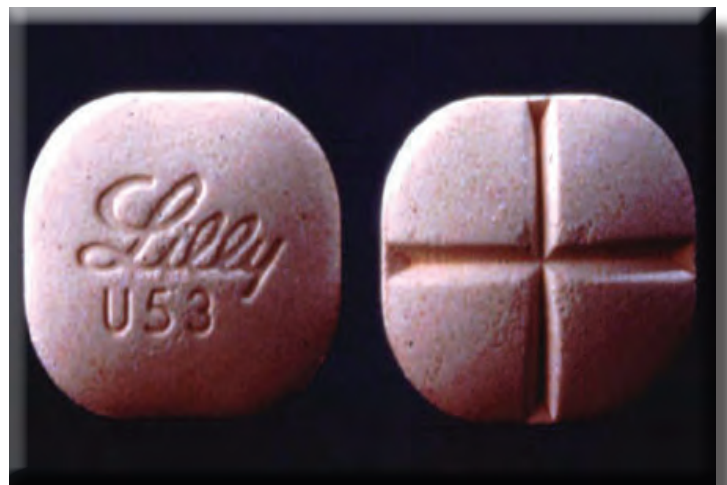


**SCALES FOR PREPARING HEROIN**





**DOSES OF METHADONE**



**METHADONE TABLETS**



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**METHADOSE PILL**



**OPIATE INFLUENCE  
CONSTRICTED PUPILS**



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**DROOPY EYELIDS**



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**SCARRING FROM INJECTING HEROIN**



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**NEEDLE INJECTION SITES**





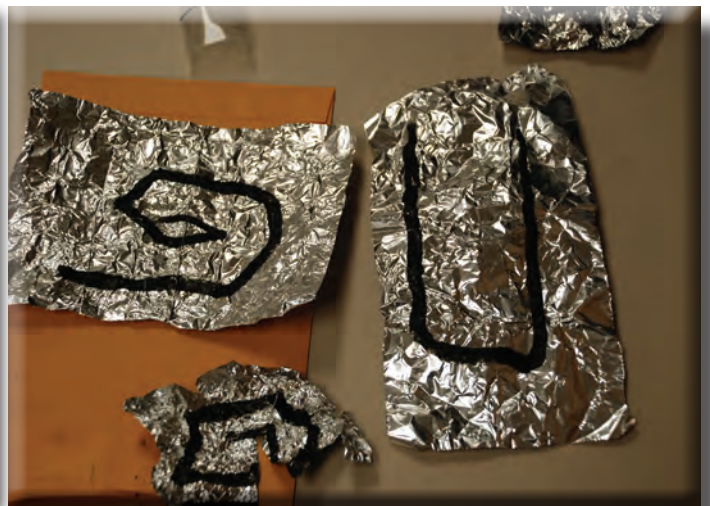
**VEHICLE HOSE CLAMP**



**HOSE CLAMP USED TO SHAVE  
PILLS INTO POWDER**



**FOIL WITH BURN MARKS**



**“TRAILS” FROM MELTED PILLS  
THAT WERE SMOKED ON FOIL**



**METAL “STASH” CONTAINER**

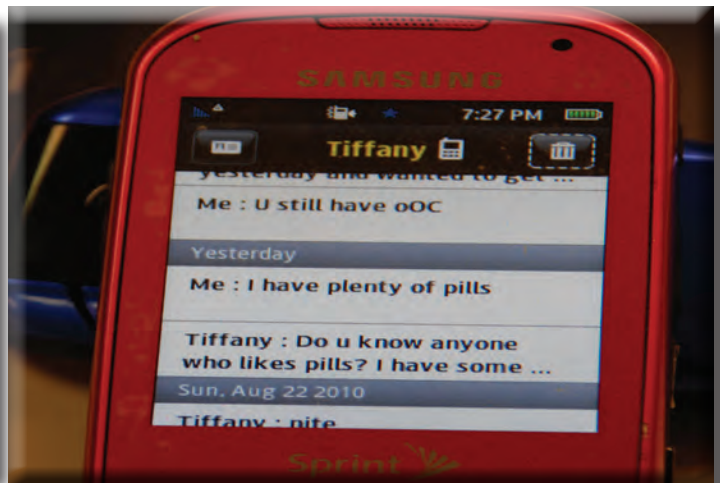


**OPIATE PAIN PILL INSIDE CONTAINER**





**PICTURE OF OPIATE PILLS ON JUVENILES CELLULAR PHONE**



**TEXT MESSAGES OF OPIATE PILLS ON JUVENILES CELLULAR PHONE**



**OPIATE PILLS HIDDEN IN DEALERS SOCK**



**OXYCODONE SEIZED FROM TEENAGED DRUG DEALER**



**FENTANYL PATCH**



**HYDROCODONE/ ACETAMINOPHEN**





**CODEINE  
ACETAMINOPHEN**



**OXYCODONE**



**HYDROCODONE  
ACETAMINOPHEN**



**ROXYCODONE**



**NORCO  
HYDROCODONE  
ACETAMINOPHEN**

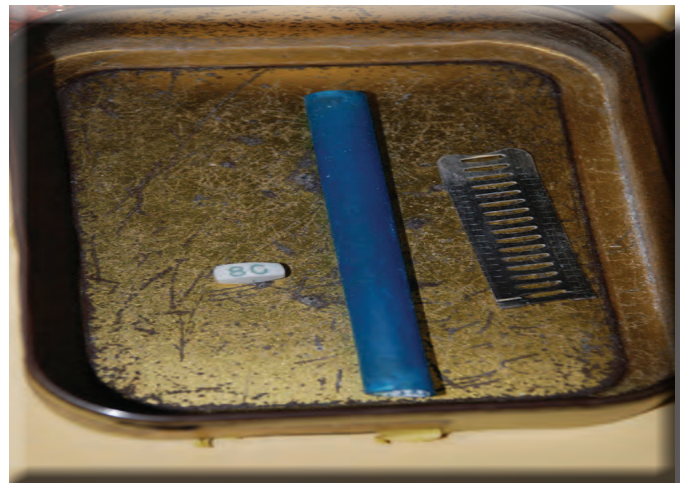


**LORCET  
HYDROCODONE  
ACETAMINOPHEN**





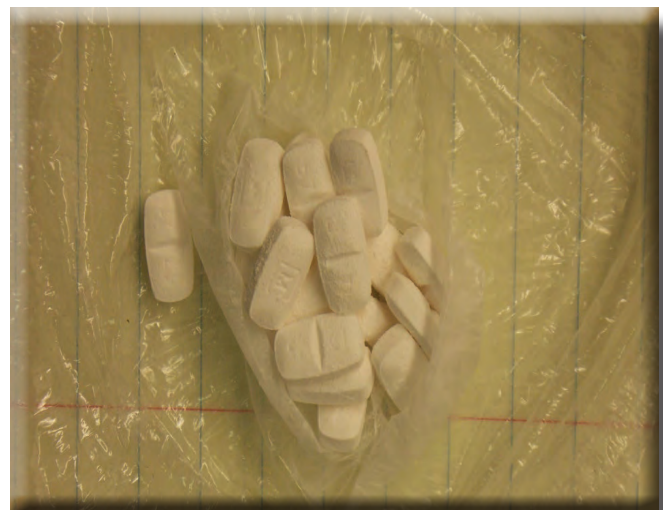
**LORTAB  
HYDROCODONE / ACETAMINOPHEN**



**HOSE CLAMP USED TO SHAVE  
PILLS INTO POWDER**



**DARVOCET  
PROPOXYPHENE / ACETAMINOPHEN**



**METHADONE PILLS  
PACKAGED FOR SALES**



**MULTIPLE PHARMACEUTICAL  
CONTAINERS FROM DEALER**



**OPANA WITH CANDY**





KRATOM PACKAGED FOR SALE



KRATOM

