Synthetic Drugs and Chemical Section

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Methamphetamine Facts

Schedule II controlled substance

Methamphetamine is the most widely abused, domestically produced synthetic drug in the United States.

It is used across all genders, ages, and socio-economic levels.

Has a high rate of addiction, a low rate of sustained recovery, and is relatively inexpensive to manufacture.
U.S. Methamphetamine Problem

The U.S. methamphetamine threat is a two prong problem:

• Methamphetamine manufactured by Mexican Trafficking Organizations (large “Super Labs” in Mexico & the U.S.)

• Small Capacity Production Labs (SCPLs) (based in the U.S.)
Domestic Meth

- The New Methamphetamine
  - 3 to 4 times easier to make and 3 to 4 times more potent than the old drug
  - Common chemicals purchased over the counter
  - 1 to 4 hours to cook a batch (old method took 20 hours)
  - Accounts for 98% of all reported clandestine labs.
Impact of One Meth Lab - $350,000

- Child Welfare: $12,000
- Mental Health: $20,000
- Treatment: $54,000
- Health Care: $Unknown
- Court: $5,000
- Corrections: $252,000
- Law Enforcement: $5,000
- Property Damage: $17,000
- Toxic Waste Cleanup: $3,500
- Jobs: $50,000
- School: $Unknown
- Unborn Children: $Unknown

* Using a model developed by John Duncan, PhD, Chief Agent, Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics
*Total Costs: $23.4 BILLION

*2009 Rand Study
CHANGE

CHANGE IS THE ONLY CONSTANT
P2P vs. PSE/EPH

Percentage of Samples

- **P2P Method**
- **Phosphorus-Iodine Method**
Thank You & Questions