

# ICE

## ...A HIGHLY ADDICTIVE FORM OF METHAMPHETAMINE



### FACTS ON ICE:

- Ice is the street name for *smokable* methamphetamine
  - Smoking meth delivers a very concentrated dose of drug which often causes irreversible damage to the lungs & brain.
- Ice (for the most part), is a clear crystal that looks like chipped ice, rock candy or Hawaiian salt.
- Other names for Ice include: **Crystal, Meth, Clear, Ice Cream, Shabu, Crank, and Batu.**
- In 2007 a pound of ice cost \$45,000 in Hawai'i.
- An Ice high, depending how often it's used, is said to last anywhere from 7 to 24 hrs.
  - Smoking ice will give the user an almost instant high.
- Ice is one of the purest forms (90-100%) of methamphetamine, and made with the harshest, most lethal chemicals.



Ephedrine & Pseudoephedrine (cold medicine); Acetone (nail polish remover); Toluene (brake cleaner); Sulfuric Acid (drain cleaner); Ether (engine starter); Methanol/Alcohol (gasoline additives); Lithium (battery acid); Anhydrous Ammonia (farm fertilizer); Red Phosphorous

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(matches/road flares); Sodium Hydroxide (lye); Muriatic Acid (chemical stripping agent); Formaldehyde (body embalming agent); Iodine; ETC.

### BEHAVIORAL SIGNS OF USE

- Hyperactive and obsessive-compulsive
- Confused and anxious
- Binge and crash cycle (users will go for days without sleep, then *crash* and sleep for long periods of time)
- Suicidal/homicidal ideals and actions
- Uncontrollable scratching, or skin picking
- Irritable, aggressive, violent behavior
- Burned fingertips from the "Ice-pipe"
- Criminal acts to support habit
- Avoids socializing
- Stops eating healthy altogether
- Poor Hygiene

### PHYSICAL SIGNS OF USE

- Increased blood pressure/body temperatures (106° and higher), and cold sweats
- Dangerous weight loss and malnutrition
- Shakes, nausea and stomach cramps
- Extreme depression
- Insomnia
- Paranoia, panic attacks
- Tooth decay (due to harsh chemicals being inhaled, involuntary teeth grinding, and poor hygiene)
- Skin ulcerations, sores in mouth
- Dilated pupils
- Chemical body odor and breath
- Auditory & visual hallucinations
- Severe constipation and/or diarrhea

### PARAPHERNALIA



GLASS PIPES, BUTANE LIGHTERS, EMPTY MINI ZIPLOC BAGS WITH WHITE POWDER RESIDUE, CUT STRAWS AND TIN FOIL WITH BURN MARKS AND WHITE RESIDUE, SCRAPING DEVICES, SYRINGES, BURNED SPOONS, ETC.

# NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES OF USING ICE



**Irreversible damage to brain and lungs**  
**Stroke, heart-attack**  
**Highly Addictive, Possibly After One Use!**  
**Death**



## IN HAWAII:

- Child Protective Services records show that 85-90% of child removals from Hawaii homes were Ice or drug-related cases.
- According to the State Department of Health, in FY0607 38% of admissions into state funded treatment centers were due primarily to ice use.
- The 2007 National Youth Risk Behavior Survey reported in Hawai'i 5% of high school students used ice at least once.
- In 2007 Hawaii law officials seized a total value of \$5.3 million (market value) of ice.
  - Ice labs have been determined to no longer be a threat to communities in the state of Hawai'i.
  - Ice was identified by law officials as the drug most contributing to violent and property crime in Hawai'i.
- It can take up to \$10,000 or more to treat a hard-core Ice addict, with no guarantee they will never use the drug again, according to Elaine Wilson, former chief of the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division.

## EVIDENCE PREVENTION WORKS!

- In 2003 Department of Health research found that lifetime Ice use [meaning: tried at least once] by students in grades 8, 10, and 12 showed a significant decline over the past few years.
- According to Senator Colleen Hanabusa, co-chair member of the legislative Ice Task Force, educating youth is working to reduce Ice use in the state. She also said, "statistics show that use has declined amongst 6th-12th graders because they're getting the message that Ice is not only addictive, but a very bad drug."

## LEGAL ISSUES:

- Crystal methamphetamine is a Schedule II controlled substance and classified as a dangerous drug.
- Possession of any amount of a dangerous drug is a class C felony the maximum penalty for which is five years in prison and/or \$10,000 fine.
  - Conviction for methamphetamine related offenses has a mandatory six month prison sentence.
- Possession of one-eighth or more of an ounce of methamphetamine or the distribution of any amount of dangerous drug, is a class B felony and punishable up to 10 years in prison and/or a \$25,000 fine.
- Possession of one ounce or more, the distribution of one-eighth ounce or more of methamphetamine is a class A felony, punishable by 20 years in prison and/or a maximum fine of \$50,000.
- Possession or distribution of a dangerous drug in any amount to a minor is a first degree offense and falls under a class A Felony.
  - The maximum sentence is 20 years in prison and a maximum fine of \$50,000.

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