

There is a new type of meth flooding our communities.  
And it is far more potent, more addictive, and more deadly.



What is methamphetamine?

**Methamphetamine is a powerful, highly addictive stimulant drug** that affects the brain and spinal cord.

The drug releases high levels of dopamine in the brain and creates physical and psychological dependence which can lead to a substance use disorder.

It is chemically similar to amphetamine, a prescription drug used to treat attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) and narcolepsy, a sleep disorder.



Why is methamphetamine dangerous?

Meth is no longer created in small amounts in homemade labs. It's mass-produced by criminal organizations, then smuggled into the U.S. through our southern border. This meth is highly pure, potent, and low in price.

With increased purity and availability, and reduced cost, accidental overdose deaths have been increasing significantly over the past several years. Meth overdose can cause a stroke, heart attack, and seizures. Even if the overdose is not fatal, the health consequences are significant.

**Meth has been found in Arizona mixed with fentanyl.**

**Common street names:**  
blue, crystal, ice, meth, and speed

What are the health risks of using methamphetamine?

**Long-term effects include:**

- damage to the heart and brain
- mood disturbances
- anxiety, confusion, insomnia
- violent behavior

**Short-term effects include:**

- increased wakefulness and physical activity
- decreased appetite
- faster breathing.
- rapid and/or irregular heartbeat
- increased blood pressure and body temperature

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