

## Methamphetamine Understanding Drugs And Drug Addiction Treatment To Recovery And Real Accounts Of Ex Addicts Volume Ii Methamphetamine Edition Book 2

Hells Angels and fallen televangelist Ted Haggard. Cross-country truckers and suburban mothers. Trailer parks, gay sex clubs, college campuses, and military battlefields. In this fascinating book, Frank Owen traces the spread of methamphetamine—meth—from its origins as a cold and asthma remedy to the stimulant wiring every corner of American culture. Meth is the latest "epidemic" to attract the attention of law enforcement and the media, but like cocaine and heroin its roots are medicinal. It was first synthesized in the late nineteenth century and applied in treatment of a wide range of ailments: by the 1940s meth had become a wonder drug, used to treat depression, hyperactivity, obesity, epilepsy, and addictions to other drugs and alcohol. Allied, Nazi, and Japanese soldiers used it throughout World War II, and the returning waves of veterans drove demand for meth into the burgeoning postwar suburbs, where it became the "mother's helper" for a bored and lonely generation. But meth truly exploded in the 1960s and '70s, when biker gang cooks using burners, beakers, and plastic tubes brought their expertise from California to the Ozarks, the Southwest and other remote rural areas where the drug could be manufactured in kitchen labs. Since then, meth has been the target of billions of dollars in federal, state, and local anti-drug wars. Murders, violent assaults, thefts, fires, premature births, and AIDS—rises in all of these have been blamed on the drug that crosses classes and subcultures like no other. Acclaimed journalist Frank Owen follows the users, cooks, dealers, and law enforcers to uncover a dramatic story being played out in cities, small towns, and farm communities across America. No Speed Limit is a panoramic, high-octane investigation by a journalist who knows firsthand the powerful highs and frightening lows of meth.

The National Institute of Health states that methamphetamine increases the amount of dopamine in the brain, a chemical that is involved in body movement, motivation, pleasure, and reward. The drug causes an intense high which fades quickly. Nearly 1.2 million people reported using the drug in the past year, while 440,000 people reported using it in the past month. This crucial edition delves into the history of methamphetamine as a recreational drug and as a big business for criminal enterprises. It also discusses the toll that methamphetamine addiction takes on its users, as well as families and communities in general. The book concludes by discussing processes and methods used to treat meth addiction and how law enforcement agencies are trying to combat the meth industry.

A practical guide to understanding and overcoming addiction to cocaine and meth.

Learn the basic facts behind the dangers of methamphetamines and other stimulants, their chemistry and harmful effects, signs of addiction and dependence, addiction treatment options, prevention tools for parents, and much more.The stimulant class of drugs includes medicine used to treat legitimate conditions such as ADHD and narcolepsy, but also includes illicitly produced methamphetamines and other harmful and addictive drugs. In this Hazelden Quick Guide, expert resources and information come together in an engaging and accessible e-book short. Topics include:• What methamphetamine and stimulants are, and how and why they were created• The history of their use and abuse• Changing cultural, social, and legal factors• Definitions of use, abuse, and dependence, with information on prevention and advice for parents• How the drugs work, including their health effects and what makes them so addictive• Intervention and effective treatment methods• Relapse prevention tools for recovering dependents and addicts

What Mental Health Care Professionals Need to Know

Methamphetamine

A History of the Methamphetamine Epidemic in America

Life on the Edge

Drug Use and Misuse

Cocaine & Methamphetamine Addiction

Advances in Treatment

The definitive book on the impact of methamphetamine on individuals, communities, and society by two of America's leading addiction and criminal justice experts. In recent years, the media have inundated us with coverage of the horrors that befall methamphetamine toxic waste created by meth labs that threaten the well-being of innocent people. In *Methamphetamine: Its History, Pharmacology, and Treatment*, the first book in Hazelden's Library of Addictive Drugs series, Ralph Weisheit and William L. White examine the States, from meth's early reputation as a "wonder drug" to the current perception that it is a "scourge" of society.In separating fact from fiction, Weisheit and White provide context for understanding the meth problem by tracing its history and the varying look at:the latest scientific findings on the drug's effects on individuals,the myths and realities of the drug's impact on the mind,the national and international implications of methamphetamine production,the drug's impact on rural communities, including a case study on addiction and treatment of meth.Thoroughly researched and highly readable, *Methamphetamine* offers a comprehensive understanding of medical, social, and political issues concerning this highly impactful drug.Written for professionals and serious lay readers, books in the Library of Addictive Drugs series feature in-depth, comprehensive, and up-to-date information on the most commonly abused mood-altering substances.

"Methamphetamine: A Love Story presents an insider's view into the lived experience of immersion in the world of methamphetamine. In-depth interviews were conducted with 33 adults formerly immersed in using, dealing, and manufacturing. Detailed accounts of the lifestyle including sex, money, power, and the ability to create methamphetamine. Social networks and environment play an important role in shaping and influencing drug-related decisions. The transformation of the lifestyle from one that is intoxicating to one that explains the unsustainability and the challenges exiting the life"--Provided by publisher.

Gain a fuller understanding of substance addiction and treatment options! Originally published in 1992 as *The Facts About Drug Use*, this updated edition contains new information about the effects of alcohol and recreational, mood-altering drugs on the body and the options available to those dependent on drugs as a way of life are thoroughly and clearly described. Drug use affects nearly 1 out of 2 Americans and cuts across every social and economic boundary. The effects of addiction on the individual are great, and the knowledge of the adverse effects of mood-altering drugs and why and how they are used excessively is a centerpiece of this book. It presents, intelligently and interestingly, ways to identify persons at risk and identify problems that the addicted encounter. *Addiction, and the Road to Recovery: Life on the Edge* is an essential tool in both finding available resources for drug users and developing appropriate responses to today's drug problem. This remarkable, well-referenced book enables those with little or no knowledge to understand the complex issues surrounding drug use. It provides current, reliable, and unbiased information on methods for dealing with dependency upon alcohol and central nervous system depressants, hallucinogens, heroin, nicotine, marijuana, caffeine, and steroids. A glossary listing common street names for drugs will be invaluable to those interested in identifying specific substances. This comprehensive volume will show you: who typically uses drugs and the reasons why they do how to classify mood-altering drugs dependency areas of special concern such as multiple drug use, AIDS and drug use, drugs and pregnancy, drugs and sports, and drug testing technology Chapter by chapter, this nonjudgmental book helps readers develop a better understanding of the effects of drugs and many continue to use them despite serious consequences. This is a valuable key to the nature of dependency and addiction, and the external forces (including poverty and homelessness) that promote such behavior.

From the New York Times bestselling author of *Dreamland*, a searing follow-up that explores the terrifying next stages of the opioid epidemic and the quiet yet ardent stories of community repair. Sam Quinones traveled from Mexico to main streets across the United States in portrait of the opioid epidemic that awakened the nation. As the nation struggled to put back the pieces, Quinones was among the first to see the dangers that lay ahead: synthetic drugs and a new generation of kingpins whose product could be made in Mexico and sold as a painkiller a hundred times more powerful than morphine. They laced it into cocaine, meth, and counterfeit pills to cause tens of thousands of deaths-at the same time as Mexican traffickers made methamphetamine cheaper and more potent than ever, cre a massive surge in homelessness across the United States. Quinones hit the road to investigate these new threats, discovering how addiction is exacerbated by consumer-product corporations. "In a time when drug traffickers act like corporations and corporations like drug traffickers, perhaps our only defense, lies in bolstering community." Amid a landscape of despair, Quinones found hope in those embracing the forgotten and ignored, illuminating the striking truth that we are only as strong as our most vulnerable. Weaving analysis of the epidemic with the communities, *The Least of Us* delivers an unexpected and awe-inspiring response to the call that shocked the nation in Sam Quinones's award-winning *Dreamland*.

Crystal Meth

Understanding Drugs and Drug Addiction

Teenage Degenerate

Principles of Drug Addiction Treatment: a Research-Based Guide

A Memoir that Explores the Depths of Methamphetamine and Drug Addiction

A Mother's Struggle with Meth Addiction and Recovery

The Surgeon General's Report on Alcohol, Drugs, and Health

Provides an overview of methamphetamine use, including discussions on its prevention, dangers, and links to addiction and crime.

Drug addiction is a complex illness. It is characterized by intense and, at times, uncontrollable drug craving, along with compulsive drug seeking and use that persist even in the face of devastating consequences. This update of the National Institute on Drug Abuse's *Principles of Drug*

*Addiction Treatment* is intended to address addiction to a wide variety of drugs, including nicotine, alcohol, and illicit and prescription drugs. It is designed to serve as a resource for healthcare providers, family members, and other stakeholders trying to address the myriad problems

faced by patients in need of treatment for drug abuse or addiction. Addiction affects multiple brain circuits, including those involved in reward and motivation, learning and memory, and inhibitory control over behavior. That is why addiction is a brain disease. Some individuals are

more vulnerable than others to becoming addicted, depending on the interplay between genetic makeup, age of exposure to drugs, and other environmental influences. While a person initially chooses to take drugs, over time the effects of prolonged exposure on brain functioning

compromise that ability to choose, and seeking and consuming the drug become compulsive, often eluding a person's self-control or willpower. But addiction is more than just compulsive drug taking-it can also produce far reaching health and social consequences. For example, drug

abuse and addiction increase a person's risk for a variety of other mental and physical illnesses related to a drug-abusing lifestyle or the toxic effects of the drugs themselves. Additionally, the dysfunctional behaviors that result from drug abuse can interfere with a person's normal

functioning in the family, the workplace, and the broader community. Because drug abuse and addiction have so many dimensions and disrupt so many aspects of an individual's life, treatment is not simple. Effective treatment programs typically incorporate many components, each

directed to a particular aspect of the illness and its consequences. Addiction treatment must help the individual stop using drugs, maintain a drug-free lifestyle, and achieve productive functioning in the family, at work, and in society. Because addiction is a disease, most people cannot

simply stop using drugs for a few days and be cured. Patients typically require long-term or repeated episodes of care to achieve the ultimate goal of sustained abstinence and recovery of their lives. Indeed, scientific research and clinical practice demonstrate the value of continuing care

in treating addiction, with a variety of approaches having been tested and integrated in residential and community settings.

All across the United States, individuals, families, communities, and health care systems are struggling to cope with substance use, misuse, and substance use disorders. Substance misuse and substance use disorders have devastating effects, disrupt the future plans of too many young

people, and all too often, end lives prematurely and tragically. Substance misuse is a major public health challenge and a priority for our nation to address. The effects of substance use are cumulative and costly for our society, placing burdens on workplaces, the health care system, families, states, and communities. The Report discusses opportunities to bring substance use disorder treatment and mainstream health care systems into alignment so that they can address a person's overall health, rather than a substance misuse or a physical health condition alone or in

isolation. It also provides suggestions and recommendations for action that everyone-individuals, families, community leaders, law enforcement, health care professionals, policymakers, and researchers-can take to prevent substance misuse and reduce its consequences.

*Understanding Drugs and Drug Addiction Treatment to Recovery and Real Accounts of Ex-Addicts / Series/ Volume II - Methamphetamine Edition.* Gain a better understanding of the oppressive drug world, which has transformed and adversely affected so many lives. This book gives

an in-depth look at why individuals turn to drugs, what happens chemically, signs and symptoms, intervention strategies, treatments, recovery and so much more. Additionally, the real stories submitted by ex-addicts (and loved ones of ex-addicts) demonstrates the power of substance

abuse. These stories will take you through their journey from life before drugs to its damaging effects and its after-effects. Notice to Readers Please be advised that this book series contains true stories regarding specific drugs, as well as all facets about drug use and recovery. The author of

this book, Taylor S. Jensen, has also written a summarized version of *Understanding Drugs and Drug Addictions - Complete Book Edition*. The pertinent information has been condensed into six different volumes regarding six particular drugs. He has also collected real stories from

real people involving their addiction to drugs. These volumes include methamphetamines, prescription drugs, cocaine, marijuana, heroin and alcohol. These smaller books are broken down into a series. Thus, if you are looking for a more condensed summary on one particular drug,

please look for that volume by author, Taylor S. Jensen. Volume I: *Understanding Drugs and Drug Addiction - Complete Book Edition* Volume II: *Understanding Drugs and Drug Addictions (Methamphetamines)* Volume III: *Understanding Drugs and Drug Addictions (Prescription*

*Drugs)* Volume IV: *Understanding Drugs and Drug Addictions (Cocaine)* Volume V: *Understanding Drugs and Drug Addictions (Marijuana)* Volume VI: *Understanding Drugs and Drug Addictions (Heroin)* Volume VII: *Understanding Drugs and Drug Addictions (Alcohol)*

*The Science of Addiction: From Neurobiology to Treatment*

*Facing Addiction in America*

*Blitzed*

*Transnational Cartels and Local Entrepreneurs*

*American Meth*

*Crystal Meth and Men Who Have Sex with Men*

*The Highs and Lows of Meth*

*Introduction:* How drugs made war and war made drugs -- Drunk on the front -- Where there's smoke there's war -- Caffeinated conflict -- Opium, empire, and Geopolitics -- Speed warfare -- Cocaine wars -- Conclusion: The drugged battlefields of the 21st century .

In *Overcoming Crystal Methamphetamine Addiction*, one of the few books to address the topic for a general audience, Dr. Steven Lee, MD, a psychiatrist who specializes in crystal meth addiction, offers a complete guide to the drug, its effects, and how to overcome it. Based on extensive scientific and social research and drawing from his professional experience, he covers everything from the definition and history of crystal meth to the physical and psychological effects; from dealing with the addictive personality to helping a friend or family member cope with it. He focuses on understanding rather than outright condemnation of the drug, and empathetically covers all of the crucial questions: What is crystal meth? How is it made? How does it affect the body? How do you know if you're addicted to it? How do you stop using it? What if you don't want to stop? If you are going to use CM anyway, how can you minimize the damage? What if you quit but slipped and used again?

Runner-up winner of the Hamilton Book Author Award, this book is a comprehensive overview of the neurobiology behind addictions. Neuroscience is clarifying the causes of compulsive alcohol and drug use--while also shedding light on what addiction is, what it is not, and how it can best be treated--in exciting and innovative ways. Current neurobiological research complements and enhances the approaches to addiction traditionally taken in social work and psychology. However, this important research is generally not presented in a forthright, jargon-free way that clearly illustrates its relevance to addiction professionals. *The Science of Addiction* presents a comprehensive overview of the roles that brain function and genetics play in addiction. It explains in an easy-to-understand way changes in the terminology and characterization of addiction that are emerging based upon new neurobiological research. The author goes on to describe the neuroanatomy and function of brain reward sites, and the genetics of alcohol and other drug dependence. Chapters on the basic pharmacology of stimulants and depressants, alcohol, and other drugs illustrate the specific and unique ways in which the brain and the central nervous system interact with, and are affected by, each of these substances Erickson discusses current and emerging treatments for chemical dependence, and how neuroscience helps us understand the way they work. The intent is to encourage an understanding of the body-mind connection. The busy clinical practitioner will find the chapter on how to read and interpret new research findings on the neurobiological basis of addiction useful and illuminating. This book will help the almost 21.6 million Americans, and millions more worldwide, who abuse or are dependent on drugs by teaching their caregivers (or them) about the latest addiction science research. It is also intended to help addiction professionals understand the foundations and applications of neuroscience, so that they will be able to better empathize with their patients and apply the science to principles of treatment.

Crystal meth and other amphetamines are illegal synthetic drugs that are cheap to produce and very damaging. These stimulants are highly aggressive and gradually destroy the body of a user. This book will guide readers through the warning signs of possible crystal meth abuse and suggest potential interventions and ways to seek treatment. Personal narratives, sidebars, and organizations that treat crystal meth addiction are also included

to instill hope in readers seeking help for themselves or loved ones.

*An Essential Guide to Getting Clean*

*Methamphetamine Use among Suburban Women*

*Methamphetamine Abuse and Addiction*

*Helping People Addicted to Methamphetamine: A Creative New Approach for Families and Communities*

*A Creative New Approach for Families and Communities*

*Crystal Clean*

*Meth Mania*

*Ice. Methedrine. Crank. Crystal. Whatever its guise, the social and political contexts of methamphetamine share a certain uniqueness. Nicholas Parsons chronicles the history and mythology*

*of methamphetamine in the United States from the 1940s to the present. In an intriguing analysis, he also makes an important contribution to our understanding of the social construction of social problems.*

The drug free workplace initiative was started in 1986 by President Ronald Reagan when he issued an executive order to develop guidelines for drug abuse testing for Federal Government employees. Since then, most state, government, and private employers have adopted the policy of a drug free workplace. Today, pre-employment drug testing is almost mandatory and passing the drug test is a condition for hire. A Health Educator's Guide to Understanding Drug Abuse Testing describes in layman's language the process of testing for drugs and provides coverage of

what potential employees are being tested for, how the tests are performed, and what foods and drugs may affect the test results and may jeopardize a person's chance of being hired. Written by a practicing toxicologist, this text gives health educators a solid foundation in the process of drug testing and helps them understand how different methods of cheating drug tests are rendered ineffectual.

"Drugs, Brains, and Behavior" is an online textbook written by C. Robin Timmons and Leonard W. Hamilton. The book was previously published by Prentice Hall, Inc. in 1990 as "Principles of Behavioral Pharmacology." The authors attempt to develop an understanding of the interpenetration of brain, behavior and environment. They discuss the chemistry of behavior in both the literal sense of neurochemistry and the figurative sense of an analysis of the reactions with the environment.

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Policing Methamphetamine shows what happens in everyday lifeOCOand to everyday lifeOCowhen methamphetamine becomes an object of collective concern. Drawing on interviews with users, police officers, judges, and parents and friends of addicts in one West Virginia town, William Garriott finds that this overriding effort to confront the problem changed the character of the community as well as the role of law in creating and maintaining social order. Ultimately, this work addresses the impact of methamphetamine and, more generally, the war on drugs, on everyday life in the United States.

*Killer High*

*Cocaine and Methamphetamine Dependence*

*Treatment to Recovery and Real Accounts of Ex-Addicts Volume II / Methamphetamine Edition*

*Methamphetamine and Stimulant Abuse*

Third Edition

Chasing Liberty in the Land of Fear

Everything You Want to Know about Drugs, Alcohol, and Addiction

This volume provides a summary of the most current information about stimulant dependence and its treatment. In addition, it sheds light on how the epidemiology of cocaine, amphetamine and methamphetamine abuse and dependence have substantial differences in geographic distribution, and how treatments are evolving to help these complex patients benefit from emerging pharmacological and behavioral therapies. Also, the editors provide literature that discusses, among many topics: the recent shift to more humane responses within the criminal justice system that is useful in obtaining treatment for the estimated 1.6 million cocaine and half-million methamphetamine users who abuse these drugs each day in the U.S., and also key treatment considerations, such as HIV comorbidity and polydrug abuse.

Presents the history and physical properties of methamphetamine, physiological effects of the drug, use among teens, information about addiction and recovery, and the legal ramifications of involvement with the drug. "There are precious few things in this life of which I am certain. One is the love I have for my son, Andy... The other thing of which I am certain is this: no one wants to be an addict." - from the book. Here's what readers have to say: "Kim's writing style is clear, lucid, revealing, and on a par with the best of skilled non-fiction authors - Thor Heyerdahl, Thomas Thompson, even James Michener or my favorite, Jan de Hartog, and she is able to make the reader relive her addictions - all of them - to the point that I HAD to put the book down several times and "de-tox" myself, or at least breathe normally, before I could return to it. I've never felt so much inside the skin of someone who is going through the horror of addiction as when reading this biography." "Kim has cleansed her soul by once again facing the demons of her past, and I can only imagine how much strength it took for her to reopen her wounds and recount them one by one." "Crystal Clean is a book I couldn't put down about an amazing woman who was once completely immersed in the world of crystal meth. If you didn't know that she made it through the other side (because she is telling her own story), you might not believe she will come out of it alive. Kim lays out her life story, with memories that help show her state of mind as she started using different drugs and then meth. But it's not a "woe is me" story, and she doesn't dwell on the bad things that contributed to her mental state. It is ultimately a story about how a mother's love can overcome the terrible odds associated with this addiction." "This is a well-written, entertaining book. The author's style is light even when the subject is not. It would have been easy to simply write about the misery that must come with Meth addiction. Instead, the author gives insight into her background and motivations. You can't help but root for the author as she describes her descent into drug addiction "hell," even though she is responsible for all her choices." "Being a mom of a special needs son (only child) and struggling to be everything to that child, while barely hanging on yourself is such a familiar story to me." "While reading this book, it hit home so much I had to stop reading it for moments at a time. So real and writing was so descriptive, I had to separate her feelings from my own in some regard. Thank you for opening up to your readers and trusting us with your story. I picture you kind of like a female "Rocky" winning in the end. Can't help but root for you and Andy!" "What an insightful and bravely written book. What Kim has shared is an amazingly helpful understanding to anyone who has been touched by the outreaching fingers of meth addiction and mental illness. And to those who haven't, a good reminder that not everyone or everything is as it may seem." "A beautiful memoir about one mom's struggle with her lot in life and how she chose to deal with it using illegal drugs. It's told in a brave, clear manner with no careful wording. I loved reading more about Andy and was absolutely rooting for Wollenburg through it all." "At first, you don't understand Kim. Then you love her." "Kim illustrates with graphic detail and genuine emotion the pain of addiction as well as the sometimes circuitous path to recovery. This book is extremely well written. I wish I lived next door to this courageous mother, daughter, and woman of worth." "CRYSTAL CLEAN: A mother's struggle with meth addiction and recovery is an honest and transparent look at the world of meth addiction and recovery. As a reader, I was swallowed up into this world of addiction, pain, anger, and fear. Many times I wanted out -- I wanted to skip to the end of the book and be assured that this young woman was going to be okay. I applaud the author for her obvious courage in sharing her story and exposing her pain and allowing herself to be so vulnerable. The author's writing is superb -- strong imagery and an authenti

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Alcoholism, Drug Addiction, and the Road to Recovery

The Truth About Methamphetamine and Crystal Meth

The Least of Us

A Health Educator's Guide to Understanding Drugs of Abuse Testing

Drug Use for Grown-Ups

Overcoming Crystal Meth Addiction

A History of Methamphetamine

***Methamphetamine: the quintessential American drug. American housewives, heads of state, businessmen and poets alike have acquired a taste for the yellow, crystalline powder. Everyone from Hitler to President Kennedy to Elvis to Jack Kerouac indulged in one of its many forms, and its presence has been an invisible hand shaping events, preparing the ground for the strangest drug epidemic the world has ever seen. Today methamphetamine is everywhere, and there seems to be no way of stemming its growth. It is the backbone of Ritalin and the "club drugs" Ecstasy, Eve and Cat. According to the DEA statistics, approximately four percent of all Americans have used clandestinely manufactured methamphetamine. In the 1960s and 1970s millions of mainstream Americans used and abused prescription amphetamines; today, anyone with a stovetop, a beaker, and a little know-how can make its derivative, methamphetamine, with chemicals purchased at the hardware store and pharmacy down the street. American Meth is the unprecedented story of a molecule in all of its incarnations, and the deep but little-known impact it has had on American life over the course of the last century. Told from the viewpoint of author Sterling Braswell, whose life has been touched by the drug, American Meth is a deeply personal drama that illuminates the epidemic we live with today.***

***Could crystal meth use in the gay community be responsible for a resurgence in the AIDS epidemic? According to recent studies, gay men who use crystal methamphetamine were twice as likely to have unprotected sex as those who did not — and more than three times as likely to be HIV-positive. Crystal Meth and Men Who Have Sex with Men is an unflinching look at this dangerous threat to the gay community, addressing the health and mental health needs of “Tina” users who are lost in a downward spiral of addiction and high-risk sexual behaviors. This vital book is the product of a unique collaboration between the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and researchers, clinicians, and community activists. Crystal Meth and Men Who Have Sex with Men contains the published proceedings of two important community events that took place in 2004 in New York City—“The Crystal Meth-HIV Connection: A Public Forum with Harvey Fierstein” and “Crystal Methamphetamine: Understanding and Treatment an Emerging Health Crisis.” Each article—whether drawn from personal account, research study, or online survey—reinforces the reality for the gay community that wherever crystal meth is, increases in sexual risk behaviors for HIV and other sexually transmitted infections (STIs) are sure to follow. This powerful book will help you to identify, approach, and treat clients who use meth, examining the physical, medical, and psychological effects and consequences of its widespread abuse. Topics addressed in Crystal Meth and Men Who Have Sex with Men include: the medical complications associated with methamphetamine use in HIV-infected patients, including hypertension, hyperthermia, rhabdomyolysis, and stroke the alarming rise in the number of emergency room visits related to crystal meth use the psychiatric consequences of methamphetamine use sexual history taking and screening for sexually transmitted infections creative educational interventions and clinical strategies substance abuse treatment interventions cognitive-behavioral therapy motivational interviewing gay-identified community-based treatment programs “club drugs” and the increase of HIV incidence harm reduction and much more Crystal Meth and Men Who Have Sex with Men is an essential resource for health and mental health professionals, including psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, counselors, primary care physicians, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants. It’s equally beneficial for staff and administrators of community-based organizations that serve gay men.***

***“Hart’s argument that we need to drastically revise our current view of illegal drugs is both powerful and timely . . . when it comes to the legacy of this country’s war on drugs, we should all share his outrage.” —The New York Times Book Review From one of the world’s foremost experts on the subject, a powerful argument that the greatest damage from drugs flows from their being illegal, and a hopeful reckoning with the possibility of their use as part of a responsible and happy life Dr. Carl L. Hart, Ziff Professor at Columbia University and former chair of the Department of Psychology, is one of the world’s preeminent experts on the effects of so-called recreational drugs on the human mind and body. Dr. Hart is open about the fact that he uses drugs himself, in a happy balance with the rest of his full and productive life as a researcher and professor, husband, father, and friend. In Drug Use for Grown-Ups, he draws on decades of research and his own personal experience to argue definitively that the criminalization and demonization of drug use--not drugs themselves--have been a tremendous scourge on America, not least in reinforcing this country’s enduring structural racism. Dr. Hart did not always have this view. He came of age in one of Miami’s most troubled neighborhoods at a time when many ills were being laid at the door of crack cocaine. His initial work as a researcher was aimed at proving that drug use caused bad outcomes. But one problem kept cropping up: the evidence from his research did not support his hypothesis. From inside the massively well-funded research arm of the American war on drugs, he saw how the facts did not support the ideology. The truth was dismissed and distorted in order to keep fear and outrage stoked, the funds rolling in, and Black and brown bodies behind bars. Drug Use for Grown-Ups will be controversial, to be sure: the propaganda war, Dr. Hart argues, has been tremendously effective. Imagine if the only subject of any discussion about driving automobiles was fatal car crashes. Drug Use for Grown-Ups offers a radically different vision: when used responsibly, drugs can enrich and enhance our lives. We have a long way to go, but the vital conversation this book will generate is an extraordinarily important step.***

***Crystal meth, or methamphetamine, is an illegal and powerful street drug. Also known as meth, crank, chalk or speed, crystal meth first acts as a stimulant, then begins to systematically destroy the body. It causes severe health conditions and is highly addictive. Within this book, readers will learn about the long and short-term effects of crystal meth which include physical addiction, emotional addiction, expense, health problems, arrest for possession and for other drug-related crime and overdose. Personal stories of teens who used drugs seamlessly unfold and reveal the true disease which develops out of the use of meth. The very real reality of drug use is uncovered along with advice on how to deal with peer pressure when choosing to say no. There are so many reasons to avoid crystal methamphetamine and this timely and clearly written book will expose those reasons.***

***The Science of Addiction***

***A History of War in Six Drugs***

***Treatment, Recovery, and Relapse Prevention***

***Drugs, Brains, and Behavior***

***Narcopolitics in Rural America***

***The Case of Rural Illinois***

***Get Smart About Meth and Other Stimulants***

*Galax, a small Virginia town at the foot of the Blue Ridge Mountains, was one of the first places that Henry H. Brownstein, Timothy M. Mulcahy, and Johannes Huessy visited for their study of the social dynamics of methamphetamine markets—and what they found changed everything. They had begun by thinking of methamphetamine markets as primarily small-scale mom-and-pop businesses operated by individual cooks who served local users—generally stymied by ever more strenuous laws. But what they found was a thriving and complex transnational industry. And this reality was repeated in towns and cities across America, where the methamphetamine market was creating jobs and serving as a focus for daily lives and social experience. The Methamphetamine Industry in America describes the reality that the methamphetamine industry is a social phenomenon connecting local, national, and international communities and markets. The book details the results of a groundbreaking three-stage study, part of a joint initiative of the National Institute on Drug Abuse and the National Institute of Justice, in which police agencies across the United States were surveyed and their responses used to identify likely areas of study. The authors then visited these areas to observe and interview local participants, from users and dealers to law enforcement officers and clinical treatment workers. Through the eyes and words of these participants, the book tells the story of the evolution of methamphetamine markets in the United States over the past several years, given changes in public policies and practices and changing public opinion about methamphetamine. The authors look closely at how the markets are part of a larger industry, how they are socially organized, and how they operate. They also consider the relationships among the people involved and those around them, and the national, regional, and local culture of the markets. Their work demonstrates the importance of understanding the business of methamphetamine—and by extension other drugs in society—through a lens that focuses on social behavior, social relationships, and the cultural elements that shape the organization and operation of this illicit but effective industry.*

*Methamphetamine abuse is a worldwide problem. This invaluable resource, written in accessible and engaging language, covers vital subjects such as how meth affects the brain and body, the consequences of meth addiction, and how to get help. True stories about people struggling with using crystal meth or trying to get sober help readers put addiction in perspective, while sidebars about topics such as the history of methamphetamine use offer important context. Contact information for drug hotlines, rehab centers, and other community service organizations are included.*

*This text follows a case in rural Illinois, where in the mid-1990s methamphetamine production & misuse became a big problem &, as a result, child welfare professionals saw an influx of children whose parents were involved with the drug. This is an account of the problems the children faced, and of the efforts to help them.*

*Methamphetamine, made easily in clandestine labs from over-the-counter ingredients, can cause depression, rapid tooth decay, psychosis, sensations of flesh crawling with bugs, paranoia, skin lesions, and kidney damage. Still, use has spread nationwide. In this work, two experts on methamphetamine addiction and recovery explain why this drug has such a physical, psychological, and social draw for addicts, despite all the damage it causes. Vignettes from addicts take us inside the subculture of meth users. Authors Taylor and Covey explain why this drug and its addiction is different from other illicit drugs and why, therefore, the treatment needs to be specifically tailored in order to be effective. Stephan Jenkins, singer for the band Third Eye Blind, says methamphetamine makes you feel bright and shiny, but it also makes you pathetically and relentlessly self-destructive, so much so that you will do unconscionable things to feel bright and shiny again. This drug, made easily in clandestine labs from over-the-counter ingredients, can also cause depression, rapid tooth decay, psychosis, sensations of flesh crawling with bugs, paranoia, skin lesions, and kidney damage. Still, use has spread nationwide from California to Maine, with known addictions now highest in the West, Midwest, and South. Treatment admissions for methamphetamine addictions have increased more than fivefold in the last decade, with a federal report in 2006 showing 136,000 known cases. Meth is particularly addictive to women because it causes rapid weight loss. The results, as shown in recent cover stories in Newsweek, National Geographic, and USA Today, are pain for far more than the abuser. Meth addiction also ravages life for spouses, children, and other family members, as well as communities. In this work, two experts on methamphetamine addiction and recovery explain why this drug has such a physical, psychological, and social draw for addicts despite all the damage it causes. Vignettes from addicts let us see inside the subculture of meth users. Authors Taylor and Covey explain why this drug and its addiction is different from other illicit drugs, and therefore why the treatment needs to be specifically tailored in order to be effective. This book, focused only on the addiction avenues and paths to recovery, is a perfect companion to Covey's earlier book, The Methamphetamine Crisis (Praeger, 2006), which details the emergence and history of this drug use in the United States, as well as the social and community effects, and criminal justice approaches, successes, and failures to date. This book at hand will appeal to meth abusers, their families, and professionals trying to aid recovery from this new scourge, including substance abuse treatment providers, health professionals, psychologists, school personnel, and criminal justice staff.*

*Women on Ice*

*How a Desperate Act Pulled One Addict Out of Methamphetamine Hell*

*No Speed Limit*

*A Love Story*

*Policing Methamphetamine*

*Its History, Pharmacology and Treatment*

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Describes the effects of methamphetamine and crystal meth and provides information about drug testing, dependence and withdrawal, and finding treatment.

The sensational German bestseller on the overwhelming role of drug-taking in the Third Reich, from Hitler to housewives. 'Bursting with interesting facts' Vice 'Extremely interesting ... a serious piece of scholarship, very well researched' Ian Kershaw The Nazis presented themselves as warriors against moral degeneracy. Yet, as Norman Ohler's gripping bestseller reveals, the entire Third Reich was permeated with drugs: cocaine, heroin, morphine and, most of all, methamphetamines, or crystal meth, used by everyone from factory workers to housewives, and crucial to troops' resilience - even partly explaining German victory in 1940. The promiscuous use of drugs at the very highest levels also impaired and confused decision-making, with Hitler and his entourage taking refuge in potentially lethal cocktails of stimulants administered by the physician Dr Morell as the war turned against Germany. While drugs cannot on their own explain the events of the Second World War or its outcome, Ohler shows, they change our understanding of it. Blitzed forms a crucial missing piece of the story.

Methamphetamine (ice, speed, crystal, shard) has been called epidemic in the United States. Yet few communities were ready for increased use of methamphetamine by suburban women. Women on Ice is the first book to study exclusively the lives of women who use the drug and its effects on their families. In-depth interviews with women in the suburban counties of one of the largest metropolitan areas in the U.S. chronicle the details of their initiation into methamphetamine, the turning points into problematic drug use, and for a few, their escape from lives veering out of control. Their life course and drug careers are analyzed in relation to the intersecting influences of social roles, relationships, social/political structures, and political trends. Examining the effects of punitive drug policy, inadequate social services, and looming public health risks, including HIV/AIDS and hepatitis C, the book gives voice to women silenced by shame. Boeri introduces new and developing concepts in the field of addiction studies and proposes policy changes to more broadly implement initiatives that address the problems these women face. She asserts that if we are concerned that the war on drugs is a war on drug users, this book will alert us that it is also a war on suburban families.

Children of Methamphetamine-Involved Families

Facing the Dragon

Drugs in Nazi Germany

True Tales of America and Hope in the Time of Fentanyl and Meth

Methamphetamines

High

The Methamphetamine Industry in America

The author shares the story of his methamphetamine addiction, suicide attempt, brief experiences of heaven and hell, and the extensive facial reconstruction that has been a part of his new life.

In 1996, Scott was nineteen and lost in adulthood with an endless job and no future ambitions. Teenage Degenerate is his story about drug addiction, music and growing up. Over the course of ten months, he quickly descends into the dark and dangerous world of crystal methamphetamine. Scott experiments with crystal meth in a dark, deserted parking lot in the suburbs of Denver, Colorado and soon after his crew of misfits will do almost anything for their next high. One by one, family and friends disappear, and he is left alone with a decision to continue fighting or give up. This is his struggle to reclaim a normal life and the search for something real. Teenage Degenerate is a book about meth that is a brutally truthful, humorous and heartbreaking journey that explores the depths of addiction.

Taking an interdisciplinary approach in its comprehensive coverage of current drug issues, Maisto/Galizio/Connors' DRUG USE AND MISUSE, 9th Edition, weaves historical, social, psychological, cultural, biological and medical perspectives as it emphasizes the idea that a drug's effects depend not only on its properties, but also on the psychological and biological characteristics of its user. Thoroughly updated with the latest research, emerging social trends and legal changes, the new edition includes the most current survey data available on patterns of drug use in the U.S. and other countries as well as the most recent data available from the Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality and the National Survey on Drug Use and Health (SAMHSA). Timely end-of-chapter essays and critical thinking questions help you focus on the real-world application of chapter concepts. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Just Say Know! With drug education for children more important than ever, this nonfiction book draws on the experiences of the NY Times bestselling father/son team of David and Nic Sheff to provide all the information teens and tweens need to know about drugs, alcohol, and

addiction. From David Sheff, author of Beautiful Boy (2008), and Nic Sheff, author of Tweak: Growing Up on Methamphetamines (2008), comes the ultimate resource for learning about the realities of drugs and alcohol for middle grade readers. This book tells it as it is, with testimonials from peers who have been there and families who have lived through the addiction of a loved one, along with the cold, hard facts about what drugs and alcohol do to our bodies. From how to navigate peer pressure to outlets for stress to the potential consequences for experimenting, Nic and David Sheff lay out the facts so that middle grade readers can educate themselves.