



If you have any questions about alcohol or other drugs, call:

Illinois Department of Human Services
Division of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse

1-866-213-0548 (toll-free Voice)

1-866-843-7344 (toll-free TTY)

If you have questions about Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) programs or services please call or visit your local Family Community Resource Center (FCRC). We will answer your questions. If you do not know where your FCRC is or if you are unable to go there, you may call the automated helpline 24 hours a day at:

1-800-843-6154

1-800-447-6404 (TTY)

You may speak to a representative between:
8:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Monday - Friday (except state holidays)

Visit our website at:

www.dhs.state.il.us



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PCP

(Phencyclidine)

Facts You Should Know About



Phencyclidine (PCP) is a white crystalline powder with a distinctive bitter chemical taste. It was developed in the 1950s as an intravenous anesthetic. Use of PCP in humans was discontinued in 1965 because it was found that patients often became agitated, delusional, and irrational when recovering from its anesthetic effects. It is still used as a tranquilizer for animals.

Slang Terms:

Angel dust	Rocket fuel
Mist	Dust
Wack	Elephant tranquilizer
Flying Saucers	Ozone
Peace pill	

When mixed with Marijuana:
Crystal supergrass Killer joint

Methods of Intake:

PCP can be swallowed, smoked, snorted, or injected. It often laces batches of marijuana and amphetamines.

THE HIGH:

The PCP experience is pleasant about half of the time. It can produce euphoria, relaxation and can alleviate pain.

THE LOW:

PCP can trigger a number of negative effects. These effects sometimes last for up to six weeks. People who use PCP for long periods of time report speech difficulties, depression, and weight loss. Regular PCP users tend to lose their fine motor skills and short-term memory. Interaction between PCP and other depressants such as alcohol can lead to coma or death.

Side Effects:

Hallucinations	Tremors
Slurred Speech	Increased heartbeat rate
Blurred eyesight	Numbness
Hostility	Personality changes
Paranoia	Panic
Vomiting	Blackouts
Drooling	Increased blood pressure
Change in body awareness	

Sources:

- <http://onhelath.com/conditions/condctr/substance/item,51699.asp> ;
- <http://www.drugfreeamerica.org> ;
- <http://www.lec.org/DrugSearch/Documents/Opiates.html>

SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT FACILITY LOCATOR

If you would like to know what substance abuse treatment providers are in your community, contact one of the following helplines:

1-800-662-HELP
1-800-662-9832 (Espanol)
1-800-228-0427 (TTY)

OR, visit the following website:

<http://findtreatment.samhsa.gov/TreatmentLocator>