



Increases in purity are thought to be responsible for:

Increases in overdose death.

Ability to “begin” addiction with pills & snorting.

Rapid addiction and high addiction rate.

Heroin in Jefferson County tends to be more gray-ish than what is pictured here.

“Beans, Buttons & Pills”



- Currently costs about \$10.
- Most frequently being cut or “stepped on” using Dormin or Sleep MD.
- Use is beginning in youth — as young as 13 to 15.
- Takes a regular user a few months at most to begin to use it in IV form.
- Paraphernalia to look for: Coffee grinders, needles, empty gel caps, baggies.
- Behavior or symptoms to look for: Dark circles under eyes, Nodding, Nausea/Vomiting, Can’t think clearly; Needle marks; Theft.
- At special risk: Anyone, but especially young person, who is abusing or who has easy access to painkilling medicines.
- Criminal behaviors associated with heroin addiction include theft and purchase of pseudoephedrine products for sale to meth cooks.

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