



Physical symptoms (Heroin Use):

- .Constricted, pinpoint pupils
- .Nausea, vomiting
- .Constipation, cessation of menstruation
- .Itching and scratching
- .Weight loss
- .Needle marks on arms and/or legs
- .Dry mouth, runny nose, constant sniffing
- .Droopy appearance, as if extremities are "heavy"

Evidence of Heroin Use:

- .Burnt gum wrappers, foil
- .Burnt spoons, disappearing spoons
- .Missing shoelaces (used to tie off arms to inject heroin)
- .Pipes, rolling papers, etc.
- .Bottles of eye drops used to mask bloodshot, glassy eyes

A few slang terms for heroin: Alquitran, Anti-freeze, Aries, Beast, Big H, Brown Sugar, Black Tar (type), China White (type), Dope, Dr. Feelgood, H, Junk, Smack, Tigre de Blanco.

These are some of the staggering stats that led County Officials to pass legislation:

- .Between 2006 and 2010, Suffolk heroin arrests rose 170 percent, from 486 to 1,315.
- .Suffolk County has seen 70 percent more prescriptions for oxycodone than the average for any other state.
- .Between 2004 and 2011, the number of overdose victims with oxycodone in their blood jumped 266 percent. In the same time period, the number of overdose deaths attributed to opioids increased 69 percent.
- .Between 1996 and 2011, the Suffolk County Drug Court treatment program saw a 425 percent increase in heroin abuse, and a 1,136 percent increase in opiod pill abuse.

Last year a bill that was passed unanimously will now require individuals who have been saved by Narcan to be referred to a treatment center. The new law requires the Suffolk health department to refer those saved by Narcan to area addiction-treatment facilities. A related bill allowing Narcan to be administered by certain civilians, such as parents of addicts and drug-treatment workers, also passed the legislature unanimously.

In Suffolk County there were 82 documented heroin overdose deaths in 2013, compared to 38 in 2010.

To view the "Not my child" video click the link below
<http://www.suffolkcountyny.gov/substanceabuse>