



The Truth About Drugs – Presentation Description

Facilitator – Dwayne Peace
(2 hours) – Grades 6-12
(2.5 hours) School Staff and Parents

See what it's like to live a drug nightmare. Join groups of teens as they are shown the realities of drug use and overdose.

Visit:

- ♥ a hospital clinic for rape counseling
- ♥ a convalescent home to meet an overdose victim
- ♥ a jail to see what it's like to be incarcerated for dealing
- ♥ a morgue to view the organs of kids who died from "huffing"
- ♥ a neonatal unit for babies born with drug addictions
- ♥ a treatment centre where a teenager struggles to conquer her addiction

Today's teens often overlook the dangers they face when using drugs — including rape, homelessness, suicide, jail time, and the inability to focus or study. The damage drugs inflict is not always obvious — but here they discover the real consequences for themselves, their friends and family, innocent babies ... everyone. Learn the difference between Marijuana from the 60's and 70's and Marijuana today. How does Marijuana lead to other drugs?

"I used to own my own moving company. I had two trucks and three crews working for me. But I was slamming heroin... I'm lucky now if I get high once a month. I don't even have any veins left, I have to shoot stuff right in my muscle. This isn't about getting high any more — it's about keeping from getting sick." Josh, an addict of the streets, in the Truth About Drugs.

"I went to a rave one night with about four or five friends... [Later] I kind of blacked out and when I woke up this guy was raping me.... (Since that) terrible experience I've had a lot of chemical problems because of Ecstasy on my brain. I've been in recovery like three years now... I'll never be the same again." Robin, now a rape crisis counselor, in The Truth About Drugs.

A component of this presentation also includes charges under the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act that are applicable to those who chose to use drugs. The definitions and penalties for Possession, Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking, and Trafficking are all discussed in this educational and revealing presentation. Choices & Consequences are clearly presented during this session.