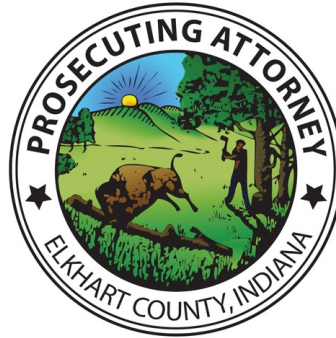


## **SPICE ISN'T JUST "FAKE MARIJUANA"**

THE DRUGS IN SPICE WERE CREATED IN A LAB AS A MORE POWERFUL VERSION OF MARIJUANA TO STUDY EFFECTS ON THE BRAIN. ACCORDING TO THEIR CREATOR, "THESE THINGS ARE DANGEROUS- ANYBODY WHO USES THEM IS PLAYING RUSSIAN ROULETTE."

## **"WOULDN'T LEGALIZING MARIJUANA SOLVE THE PROBLEM?"**

NO. PLENTY OF MARIJUANA USERS COMBINE SPICE WITH MARIJUANA AND CONSUME THEM TOGETHER. SPICE OFTEN PROVIDES A HIGH THAT IS DISTINCT FROM MARIJUANA AND IS UNIQUELY ADDICTIVE. JUST BECAUSE SOMEONE HAS ACCESS TO MARIJUANA DOESN'T MEAN THEY WON'T SMOKE SPICE AS WELL.



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## **WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT SPICE**



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# IT'S SIMPLE... SYNTHETIC DRUGS KILL.



DANGER  
Harmful  
chemicals

## DANGEROUS SIDE EFFECTS

CHEMICALS IN SPICE FREQUENTLY CHANGE AND SO CAN YOUR BODY'S RESPONSE.

## REPORTED SIDE EFFECTS INCLUDE:

- NAUSEA AND VOMITING
- INCREASED HEART RATE AND CHEST PAIN
- KIDNEY DAMAGE OR FAILURE
- SEVERE AGITATION AND ANXIETY
- HALLUCINATIONS AND PSYCHOTIC EPISODES
- SUICIDAL THOUGHTS OR ACTIONS
- DEATH

## BASICALLY... THEY'RE POISON

IN 2013 POISON CONTROL CENTERS RECEIVED 2,658 CALLS RELATED TO SPICE EXPOSURE.

THROUGH MAY 2014 ALONE, CENTERS HAVE RECEIVED 1,099 CALLS.

## SPICE IS ILLEGAL

THE STATE OF INDIANA HAS SEVERAL LAWS SPECIFICALLY RELATED TO THE POSSESSION AND SALE OF SPICE.

- POSSESSION OF SYNTHETIC DRUGS IS ILLEGAL.
- DEALING IN SYNTHETICS OR PARAPHERNALIA USED TO CONSUME THESE DRUGS IS ILLEGAL.
- SYNTHETICS WHICH "LOOKALIKE" OTHER DRUGS ARE ILLEGAL.

## SPICE AND CRIME

SPICE AND SPICE ADDICTION HAS BEEN LINKED TO THE COMMISSION OF CRIMES INCLUDING:

- OPERATING WHILE INTOXICATED
- THEFT
- BURGLARY
- ROBBERY
- CHILD NEGLECT
- AGGRAVATED ASSAULT
- MURDER



## LIVES CHANGED BY SPICE

- A FORT WAYNE MOTHER FOUND HER SON DROWNED IN A POND AFTER SMOKING SPICE.
- AFTER A PERIOD OF HABITUAL USE OF SPICE, A TEXAS TEEN SUFFERED SEVERAL STROKES RESULTING IN BRAIN INJURY.
- A PENNSYLVANIA MAN ADMITTED TO SHAKING A CRYING BABY TO DEATH WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF SPICE.



## TREATMENT IS AVAILABLE

IT IS POSSIBLE TO RECLAIM YOUR LIFE FROM THE INFLUENCE OF ADDICTION.

LOCAL FACILITIES INCLUDE:

- ADDICTION AND RECOVERY CENTER
- BASHOR CHILDREN'S HOME
- OAKLAWN PSYCHIATRIC CENTER