

Street Drugs and Other Substances of Abuse: Patient Care Considerations



It's a fast-paced world and many patients may seek the assistance of substances to cope and get through their busy, trying days.

The use and abuse of both licit and illicit substances has the potential to produce adverse reactions and life-threatening medical emergencies during dental treatment.

This comprehensive program will explore strategies for identifying the dental patient using and abusing substances, as well as techniques for effective patient management and treatment. Special emphasis will be given to a discussion of patients using **cannabis for both medical and recreational purposes.**



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Learning Objectives:

- Discuss the impact of substance dependence and abuse on dental therapy and on overall patient health.
- Explore the world of the most commonly used street drugs with regard to:
 - Street names
 - Common adverse effects
 - Oral manifestations
 - Dental treatment considerations
- Describe techniques useful in identifying and successfully managing patient substance use and dependency.

Bath Salts. Gravel. Cheese.

Think you know what these are?

These are the names for some of the most common street drugs.

Suggested Audience:

Dentist, Dental Hygienist, Full Team

Suggested Format:

Partial Day; Lecture, Workshop, Keynote