

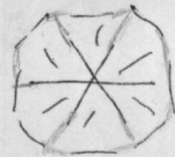
DETROIT REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT RECORDS

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DRUG ABUSE LITERATURE

ADVERSE DRUG REACTIONS



Iatrogenic disease has been defined as the group of adverse effects produced unintentionally by the doctor. These include not only the direct injuries which may result from diagnostic or therapeutic procedures, but also the disease states that may arise from the actions of drugs. It has been estimated that between 5-10 percent of patients admitted to hospitals experience some therapeutic insult. However, the true incidence may be greater than this, and depends on the reporters definition of an adverse drug reaction.

1. Amphetamines - (Benzedrine, Dexedrine)
Used for the treatment of - Depression, and other manifestations of mental disease, Fatigue, Barbituate poisoning, Obesity, Narcolepsy.

A Adverse effects - Addiction, in certain personalities- acute psychotic episodes, during which suicide may be attempted. Severe depression may follow withdrawal after long period of use, insomnia, confusion, panic, hallucinations, tremor and even collapse.
2. Anti hypertensives - (Reserpine)
Used in the treatment of high blood pressure

Adverse effects - mental changes-drowsiness, lethargy, apathy, depression, increased gastric acid secretion, peptic ulceration, nasal congestion, stuffiness, diarrhea, fluid retention, and weight gain.
3. Local Anesthetics(Xylocaine, Novocaine)
Used to block conduction in nerve tissue

Adverse effects - apprehension, disorientation, nausea, vomiting, twitching, convulsions, respiratory paralysis and circulatory failure.
4. Barbiturates - (Luminal, Seconal, Nembutal)
Used in treatment of uncomplicated insomnia.

Adverse reactions - Addiction, swollen, itchy skin rash. Danger of combined use with alcohol and other centrally acting depressants.
5. Tranquilizers - (Phenothiazines-Thorazine, Stelazine, Mellaril)
Used for the control of severe anxiety, tension, agitation, and in children when these symptoms are associated with behavioral disorders.

Adverse effects - Dermatitis, jaundice, absence or loss of power of voluntary movement, motor restlessness, convulsions, skin and eye changes, constipation, weight gain, failure of ejaculation and low blood pressure.
6. Benzodiazepine Derivatives(Librium, Valium)
Used in treatment of anxiety, alcoholism and spastic rigidity.
Adverse effects - depression, drowsiness, lethargy, decreased tolerance to alcohol, physical dependence, increased appetite, impairment of sexual function, vertigo, menstrual irregularities.