

# SIGNS & SYMPTOMS COCAINE

## Street Names

Blow, C, Candy, Coke, Crack, Rock, Nose candy, Snow, Toot

## Method of Use

Smoked, Snorted, Injected



### Symptoms/ Effects of Use

- Euphoria
- Increased energy and mental alertness to sights, sounds, touch
- Talkative
- Dilated pupils
- Decreased appetite
- Bizarre, erratic, violent behavior
- Restlessness/ decreased sleep
- Irritability, anxiety, panic/paranoia
- Constricted blood vessels
- Nasal tissue destruction (from snorting)
- Abdominal pain/nausea
- Malnourishment
- Increased body temperature
- Increased blood pressure
- Increased heart rate
- Heart attack/respiratory failure
- Stroke
- Seizure
- Death (mostly due to cardiac arrest or seizures)



### What to look for...

- Bloodshot eyes
- Dilated pupils (especially in low lighting - difficult to see any eye color around the pupil)
- Insomnia
- Irritability
- Frequent mood swings
- Nosebleeds
- Nervousness, anxiety attacks, paranoia
- Weight loss
- Sweating
- Quick thoughts/movements with abnormally high energy



### Withdrawal Symptoms

- Depression ("Crash", rest/recuperation for several days)
- Fatigue/sleepiness
- Anxiety
- Cravings
- Vivid, unpleasant dreams
- Increased appetite

**Note:** Each person may experience different symptoms/effects. This list is not inclusive. For more information, visit [www.drugabuse.gov](http://www.drugabuse.gov)