

# Symptoms

- severe agitation
- anxiety
- nausea
- vomiting
- heart attack
- elevated blood pressure
- tremors and seizures
- hallucinations
- psychosis
- suicidal and homicidal thoughts and/or actions
- unstable mood
- impaired perception and memory
- death

...and many more that are just as frightening !



A single puff could be your last breath—make wise choices and do not lose your precious life to these poisons!

Victor Orlando Woolson was a funny, smart, compassionate young man who blessed this Earth for 19 years and 21 days. Victor's career choice was in criminal justice and he was pursuing his dream, enrolled at a local community college. He was an exemplary student, son, brother, uncle, nephew, cousin, friend and community member.

Victor died from a fatal reaction to synthetic drugs in 2012. This organization was formed in his honor.



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## Experimental Killers:

## SYNTHETIC CANNABINOIDS

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## ***A Deadly LEGAL High***

The sad truth is that the law is way behind when it comes to synthetic marijuana. It is readily available and LEGAL to buy in local stores and on the internet. What's worse is that it cannot be tested in drug screenings. No wonder it is so popular! It is cheap too! When searching for a thrill young people do not think about the consequences, they think about how quickly and easily they can find something—especially something they can't get in trouble for using! Soon this new drug will be so popular that preventing fatalities will be out of anyone's control. There is not much public awareness about this new poisonous substance, and hospital personnel are at a loss when it comes to treating these patients. Many have not even heard of it as there are so many different names and brands evolving daily.

\*Photo courtesy of the *Ban Synthetic Cannabinoids in NZ* facebook page\*

### **False labeling**

Though some of the labels may read *not for human consumption*, some store owners and employees encourage customers to smoke the substance to get high – even to the point of instructing them how to do so. This false labeling is in place to skirt the law.

### **Dangerous effects**

Symptoms can last for hours or even days, or worse, they can be fatal after a single use—which is happening all over the United States right now!

Since these drugs are highly addictive, one of the signs of synthetic abuse is compulsive use despite the harm that is being experienced.

Hazardous materials found in a recent strain of synthetics include bleach and rat poison.

### **Unlike anything we have ever seen before**

People are purchasing a substance they believe acts like marijuana because the drug is supposed to mimic its effects in the brain. The truth is, the body reacts completely different—especially from

### **IMPORTANT!!**

The abuse of these drugs are not only dangerous and potentially addictive to the user, they can also be dangerous – even fatal - for children or people in the vicinity, due to violent behavior and loss of awareness in the user.

person to person—with the use of synthetic cannabinoids. The packages contain dried plant material—NOT from the marijuana plant—sprayed with various man-made chemicals intended to produce a euphoric-like effect on the user, including a more intense high than they have ever experienced. This intense high causes damage to the brain and other vital organs.

**“I just want to try it one time”**

Trying it just one time is all it takes to lose your life—or worse—to have to live with the damage caused by this poison!



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We VOW to help our community and to spread the word about synthetic drugs in an effort to save lives—not only in Oswego county and New York State—but for the benefit of the lives of people all over the United States.

**Please call 911 immediately if you suspect synthetic marijuana use. It could save a life!**

**DON'T GIVE IN TO PEER PRESSURE. SAVE A LIFE. SAVE YOUR LIFE.**