

Strawberry Quick-Warning for Kids and Parents

There is a new methamphetamine out on the market now that is targeting young children and teens. Meth is now being cut with an assortment of drinks, candies, and other materials. Officials call it "designer meth." It can smooth the chemically harsh ingestion of the drug. This makes it easier for first-time users to try.

“Strawberry Quick” is the latest meth cut that uses powdered strawberry drink mix to give the drug a pink coloring. The sugariness of the flavored powder makes the meth more pleasant tasting. It has a low boiling point which allows for it to easily be smoked or injected into the bloodstream as a liquid. Meth easily mixes into any water-based liquid because of its chemical properties. Therefore, it can be mixed with sodas, caffeinated drinks and high sugar energy drinks.

Strawberry Quick has been described as resembling rock candy or pop rocks (childhood candy that fizzes in the mouth) and because of the resemblance, people are worried that young children and teens will be fooled into buying and trying the drug thinking its candy. Teenagers and children who have been taught that meth is bad may see this flavored version as less harmful.

Please advise your children and their friends and other students not to accept candy from strangers. They also need to be cautious in accepting candy even from friends who may have gotten it from someone else. Children and teens need to be warned of this new drug craze so they can be protected.

If you would like any alcohol or drug related information, please contact the Manalapan-Englishtown Community Alliance for the Prevention of Drug and Alcohol Abuse.

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