Synthetic Drugs: What you Need to Know

Names and Common Street Names:
- Synthetic drugs include Flakka, Gravel, Molly, Budder, K2, Spice, Bath Salts and Fake Marijuana.

Adverse Effects:
- Heart Problems
- Agitation/Aggressiveness
- Seizures
- Paranoia: Users often report feelings of being followed.
- Psychosis: Reported hallucinations include feeling like you are on fire.
- Excited Delirium: Body temperature increases to 105 degrees causing internal organs to shut down.

Reports from Broward County:
- Reports of Flakka, or Alpha-PVP, in South Florida have grown increasingly. In 2014, there were 200 reported cases in the Broward Sheriff’s Office Crime Lab of Flakka for the entire year. In 2015, between the months of January and March, the Crime Lab has seen more than 300 cases. Flakka is a more dangerous form of what was previously known as “bath salts”. In Broward County, each hospital seeing up to 3 emergency room admissions per day for Flakka.

What to do:
- If you see anyone who seems to be agitated or experiencing excited delirium, tell a trusted adult or call 9-1-1 immediately. You will not get in trouble for calling 9-1-1. Under Florida law, anyone calling in a medical emergency can not be charged for drug possession.

For more information on Synthetic Drugs visit www.drugfreebroward.org

If you need non-emergency assistance please dial 2-1-1 or visit www.211-broward.org