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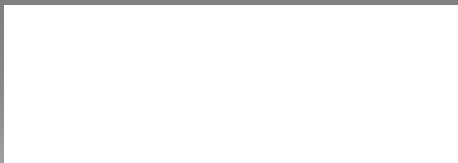
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## U.S. DRUG CLASSIFICATIONS

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In the United States, drugs are classified into 5 groups known as 'schedules.' These 5 schedules determine the medical and legal status of a substance.

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# HOW DRUGS ARE CLASSIFIED IN THE US

SCHEDULE	DESCRIPTION	EXAMPLES
<b>Schedule 1</b>	Drugs with no currently accepted medical use and a high potential for abuse. They are the most dangerous drugs of all the drug schedules with potentially severe psychological or physical dependence.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Heroin</li> <li>- Lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD)</li> <li>- Marijuana (Cannabis)</li> <li>- Methylendioxyamphetamine (Ecstasy)</li> <li>- Methaqualone</li> <li>- Peyote</li> </ul>
<b>Schedule 2</b>	Drugs with a high potential for abuse, with use potentially leading to severe psychological or physical dependence. These drugs are also considered dangerous.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Combination products with less than 15mg of hydrocodone per dosage unit (Vicodin)</li> <li>- Cocaine</li> <li>- methamphetamine</li> <li>- Methadone</li> <li>- Hydromorphone (Dilaudid)</li> <li>- Meperidine (Demerol)</li> <li>- Oxycodone (OxyContin)</li> <li>- Fentanyl</li> <li>- Dexedrine</li> <li>- Adderall</li> <li>- Ritalin</li> </ul>
<b>Schedule 3</b>	Drugs with a moderate to low potential for physical and psychological dependence. Schedule 3 drugs abuse potential is less than Schedule 1 and Schedule 2 drugs but more than Schedule 4.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Products containing less than 90mg of codeine per dosage unit (Tylenol and codeine)</li> <li>- Ketamine</li> <li>- Anabolic steroids</li> <li>- Testosterone</li> </ul>
<b>Schedule 4</b>	Drugs with a low potential for abuse and low risk of dependence.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Xanax</li> <li>- Soma</li> <li>- Darvon</li> <li>- Darvocet</li> <li>- Valium</li> <li>- Ativan</li> <li>- Talwin</li> <li>- Ambien</li> <li>- Tramadol</li> </ul>
<b>Schedule 5</b>	Drugs with lower potential for abuse than Schedule 4 and consist of preparations containing limited quantities of certain narcotics. Schedule 5 drugs are generally used for antidiarrheal, antitussive, and analgesic purposes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cough preparations with less than 200mg of codeine per 100ml (Robitussin AC)</li> <li>- Lomotil</li> <li>- Motofen</li> <li>- Lyrica</li> <li>- Parepectolin</li> </ul>

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