**BATH SALTS NOT AS SAFE AS THEY SOUND!**

*Bath salts are a new drug trend and these dangerous illegal products are sending people to emergency rooms around the country!*

**What is it?**
The drugs sold as “bath salts” have no legitimate use for bathing and are intended for substance abuse. They contain stimulant compounds that mimic the highs of drugs such as cocaine, ecstasy, and methamphetamines. Cathinone is the main substance of the powder with other stimulants including mephedrone and methylenedioxypyrovalerone (MDPV).

**What does it look like?**
The specially-made powder or crystal chunks mostly range from white to tan, but can also be in different colors.

**How is it used?**
Bath Salts are snorted, swallowed, smoked or injected.

**What can be the symptoms of use?**
Bath Salts can cause chest pains, irregular heartbeats, increased blood pressure, agitation, muscle breakdown and seizures. They also can cause extreme paranoia, delusions, hallucinations, suicidal thoughts and violence.

**What are the street names/slang terms for it?**
Ivory & Purple Wave, Bliss, White Lightning, Hurricane Charlie, Zoom, Drone, Meow Meow, White Rush, Red Dove, Blue Silk, Zoom, Bloom, Cloud Nine, Ocean Snow, Lunar Wave, Vanilla Sky and Scarface. *(These products have also been sold as plant food and pond water cleaners.)*

**Where do they come from?**
These harmful powders are typically sold in small packets or in half-gram bottles for $25 and labeled “not for human consumption,” but are used to get high. They were sold over the internet and at various head shops, but are now illegal.

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