

WHAT A DRUG PROBLEM MAY LOOK LIKE

FAMILY

- * arguments
- * withdrawal from family
- * fighting
- * irresponsibility
- * coming in late or not at all
- * scapegoat behavior
- * physically/verbally abusive
- * dishonesty, sneakiness
- * defiant, hostile
- * secretive, silent
- * destructive
- * money or articles missing or disappearing
- * finding drugs/paraphernalia

SCHOOL

- * skipping school regularly
- * chronic tardiness
- * a drop in grades
- * getting busted
- * change in attitude & behavior
- * conflict with school staff & students
- * suspension/detention

JOBS

- * chronic late arrival
- * inability to get along
- * irresponsibility
- * missing work regularly
- * accidents on the job
- * working below potential
- * getting fired

SEXUAL

- * negative change in sexual values
- * promiscuity
- * seductive dress/talk/behavior
- * STDs

PHYSICAL

- * lazy, lethargic
- * change in appearance
- * tired
- * hangovers, "sick"
- * broken bones
- * car accidents
- * red eyes/using Visine
- * blackouts/passing out
- * weight loss/gain
- * getting beat up or in fights
- * suicide talk or behavior
- * overdosing
- * caught high/drunk

EMOTIONAL

- * mood swings
- * flat affect
- * out of touch with feelings
- * extreme anger, depression
- * irritability
- * hopeless "who cares" attitude
- * defensive
- * non-communicative

LAW

- * minor consumption
- * possession charges
- * getting busted
- * shoplifting
- * stealing
- * vandalism

MENTAL

- * poor concentration
- * distracted
- * memory loss
- * lowered attention span
- * lack of motivation