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Scenario 1

Male 1 is 20 years old and moved to the city two years ago to commence his studies. He started to mix with an ecstasy-using crowd and soon found himself using the drug regularly. He takes the drug in a pill form (i.e. swallowing) at least twice a month.

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Scenario 2

Female 1 is a 16-year-old sex worker who regularly smokes a range of drugs including methamphetamine. She is believed to have injected in the past but stopped when a former sex partner died after a short illness, believed to be pneumonia. The amount she smokes has recently escalated due to increased availability of the drug.

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Male 2 is a 12 year old boy who is having great difficulty with his studies until his parents take him to a doctor who diagnoses him as having attention deficit disorder. He is prescribed Ritalin and takes it as directed by the doctor.

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Scenario 4

Male 3 is 16 years old and has been living on the street for most of his life. He was introduced to injecting amphetamines by a friend who told him that it would help him block out bad feelings. He injects the drug most days and regularly shares equipment because clean equipment is too difficult to find.

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Scenario 5

Female 2 is an 18 year old university student who works very hard to achieve good grades. Once or twice a year she 'lets her hair down' and goes out to a nightclub and takes an ecstasy pill. She only ever takes one tablet and makes sure that she has her good friends with her when she goes out to party.

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