

DRUG FACILITATED ASSAULT: A FACT SHEET

Drug facilitated assault refers to when alcohol or drugs is administered by an acquaintance to an unsuspecting person to obtain non-consensual sex. They are often used in order to minimize the resistance and memory of the victim. The drug is often mixed with an alcoholic beverage, which, when consumed, causes varying degrees of sedation ranging from drowsiness to unconsciousness, and amnesia. In these cases, alcohol works synergistically with these drugs to enhance their sedative effect. Often victims of sexual assault in these situations blame themselves because they drank or did drugs. It is vital to understand that the perpetrator is the one who purposely took advantage of someone's diminished capacity.

DRUG & HISTORY	STREET NAMES	USE & EFFECT TIME	SYMPTOMS
<p>Gamma Hydroxybutyrate- Recently made legal in the US to treat narcolepsy. Used as a steroid. Instructions are available online.</p>	<p>GHB, Gamma 10, Scoop, Goop, easy lay, Georgia Home Boy, Grievous Bodily Harm, Salty Water</p>	<p>Consumed orally, either as pill or liquid. Lasts 3-6 hours, depending on dosage. Can be found in urine approx 8-12 hrs or in blood 4-8 hrs after ingestion.</p>	<p>Nausea, vomiting, delusions, depression, loss of consciousness, vertigo, seizures, respiratory arrest, lowered blood pressure, amnesia.</p>
<p>Rohypnol- Manufactured legally in Europe as sedative. Produced now with blue dye. Now prescribed worldwide as a sleep aid.</p>	<p>Roofies, Roche, Forget Pill, Rope, Stupifi, Mind Erasers, landing gear, Mexican valium, R-2</p>	<p>Consumed orally, snorted or injected. Peaks at 2hrs and last up to 8hrs. Can be found in urine between 48-96 hrs after ingestion, and in blood 12-24 hrs after ingestion.</p>	<p>Nausea, dizziness, amnesia, drowsiness, slurred speech, slowed psychomotor skills, low blood pressure, muscle relaxation</p>
<p>Ketamine- Majority of Ketamine is illegally distributed in the US and then diverted or stolen from veterinary clinics or smuggled from Mexico.</p>	<p>K, Super or Special K, Ket, Kit Kat, vitamin K, special la coke, Super C, lady K, and Cat Valium.</p>	<p>Consumed orally, injected, or smoked. Lasts an hour or less, depending on dosage. Difficult to detect through urine or blood test beyond 48 hrs after ingestion.</p>	<p>Mild amnesia, agitation, nausea, hallucinations, paralysis, memory loss, unconsciousness, slurred speech, and delirium.</p>
<p>MDMA- Originally manufactured as an appetite suppressant.</p>	<p>Ecstasy, X, Love Drug, Essence, Hug Drug, Scooby Snacks</p>	<p>Consumed orally in pill or tablet form. Lasts 4-6 hours depending on dosage.</p>	<p>Confusion, anxiety depression, paranoia, sleeplessness, muscle tension, involuntary teeth clenching, sweating, chills.</p>

If you believe you may have been drugged, it is very important to seek medical assistance as soon as possible. Date rape drugs are only detectable in your blood/urine for a brief period of time; this is the only absolute way to prove that you've been drugged.