



HARMS TO THE CONSUMER

- Mortality**
Risk of lethal overdose (drug-specific), life shortened by factors other than overdose (drug-related)
- Damage**
Health-related harms such as cirrhosis from alcohol use (drug-specific) and exposure to blood-borne viruses (drug-related)
- Dependence**
Propensity/urge to continue use despite adverse consequences
- Impairment of mental functioning**
Resulting from use (drug-specific) or, e.g., mood disorders (drug-related)
- Loss of tangibles**
e.g. job, educational achievements, imprisonment
- Loss of relationships**

HARMS TO OTHERS

- Crime and injury**
Crime committed in order to acquire the substance, or increased risk of e.g. domestic violence, traffic accidents
- Environmental and international damage**
e.g. discarded needles, chemicals used in production, deforestation, international crime
- Family Adversities**
e.g. family breakdown, child neglect
- Community and economic cost**
Health care, prisons, loss of productivity, decline in social cohesion, neighborhood reputation