

Management of Psychostimulant Acute Behavioural Disturbances: Guidelines for Police Services



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Summary: This resource aims to provide police service staff with guidelines for responding to individuals affected by **psychostimulants**, including crystal methamphetamine ('ice').

The guidelines aim to help police services to minimise potential harms to individuals, police officers and community members when responding to situations where ice or other psychostimulant use may be involved. This document outlines the specific precautions that should be taken to safely and effectively manage individuals who present with psychostimulant toxicity.

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[Access the Psychostimulant Guidelines for Police Services](#)

**Please note that while this resource was developed more than 10 years ago, it is the most recent evidence-based resource of its kind. If you have seen a newer resource on this topic, please let us know at info@cracksintheice.org.au.*