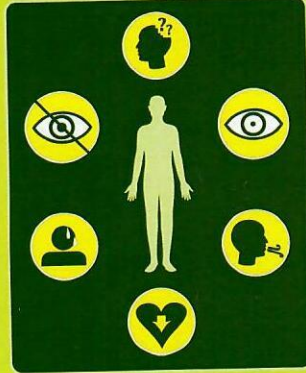


XYLAZINE, often referred to as “Tranq” or the “Zombie Drug,” is a drug used for sedation, anesthesia, and muscle relaxation for large animals such as cows and horses. It is **NOT** approved for use in humans.

This drug affects the central nervous system causing lower heart rate, slower breathing, and dangerously low blood pressure as well as drowsiness and amnesia.

Other common side effects include blurred vision, high blood sugar, impaired judgement, coma, slurred speech, disorientation, pinpoint pupils, and sedation.

After prolonged use of tranq, depending on the method of delivery, it can cause skin ulcers, abscesses, and necrosis.



In the last few years, the number of drug overdose related deaths involving tranq has increased **exponentially**.



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A physical dependence on tranq is possible and withdrawal symptoms include seizures, chest pains, and death.

Tranq or drugs mixed with tranq can be injected, snorted, swallowed, and inhaled.

Tranq can be used alone, but it is frequently combined with fentanyl, cocaine, and heroin.



Since tranq is not an opioid, **Narcan does not reverse the effects of this drug**, which makes it particularly fatal. However, if tranq has been combined with an opioid, then naloxone can potentially help with respiratory depression effects of the opioid.



Fentanyl laced with tranq has been found in 48 states and is currently considered the deadliest drug in the US.