

Date Rape Drugs

Introduction

From the information I have gathered, Date Rape Drugs are substances that are used to assist in sexual assault, meaning any type of activity the person does not agree to. The drug makes the victim feel helpless physically and makes it hard to refuse sexual intercourse, and can't remember what happened during that night. It affects your judgment and behavior. I also learned that the drugs tend to not have a smell or color to them and can easily be added to any flavor drink without knowledge. As far as the effect it has on people and the length it last varies with the amount of the drug you have taken, and depending on what substance it was mixed with. Mixing the drug with alcohol can worsen its effects on people, and can cause more health problems. I thought it would be interesting to research different kinds of date rape drugs because now that I am in college I feel that it is more prone to happen to me and researching the drug can help me get the knowledge I need to prevent it from happening in the future.

Background/ Problem Statement:

<http://www.4women.gov/faq/rohypnol.htm>

Women's Health.gov

I found that this article was very helpful when researching date rape drugs. It helped me understand what the drug actually does to people. The article was broken up into sections that made it easier to understand.

The article discussed the three main date rape pills such as GHB (gamma hydroxybutyric acid), Rohypnol (Flunitrazepam), and Ketamine (ketamine hydrochloride). And explained the effects each drug has to your health.

<http://www.rad-systems.com/Resources/daterapedruginfo.html>

RAD Systems: Date Rape Drug Info.

I also found this article very helpful, like the other article this discussed in detail more about the three main date rape drugs used and how to avoid it from happening to you. The web site gave you other link for other topics as well as more about the drugs written by attorneys at law, and a link to show all the different types of drugs used in clubs. This article was very helpful because I saw different stories people were faced with and other issues and topics that are associated with the drugs.

<http://www.streetdrugs.org/daterape.htm>

Street Drugs.

I didn't find this article helpful at all; it stated information that I already knew about the drug and not enough to get the complete knowledge I would need. The article just explained the how to prevent yourself from happening to you, but doesn't give enough information about the actual drugs.

http://www.healthypeople.gov/document/html/uih/uih_4.htm#sex

Healthy People 2010

This was a helpful article because it had graphs and showed the unhealthy behaviors of teenagers but at the same time it focuses on other issues and not on date rape pills, I wish it could have focused more on my general topic but it also gave very good information.

Section 2: Research:

<http://www.ncjrs.gov/App/publications/Abstract.aspx?id=112786>

NCJRS Abstract

I didn't find this article helpful for the research of my topic, it only talked about a book that was published about the topic and explained what was it in. This article didn't give me actual information about date rape drugs and did not help me get further knowledge. I'm sure if I were to buy the book it would be very helpful from what it's saying that book is about.

<http://www.sexcriminals.com/library/doc-1036-1.pdf>

Date Rape: A Hidden Crime:

This article was very helpful in finding more information about my topic. It discussed what the drug actually is as well as some questions or myths about the drug that people are concerned about, the impact and responses to the date rape drug. Reading this article was very helpful because it was broken into sections that covered the basic information people need to know in order to prevent this from happening or information to answer your questions about the pill.

<http://linkinghub.elsevier.com/retrieve/pii/S1353113101905139>

Science Direct

Research: 3303 Women claimed they have been sexually assaulted and believe that drugs were involved were examined closely,

Result: out of the 3303 women 2026- (61.3%) were positive for one or more substances. It showed that they either had alcohol lone or alcohol mixed with other substances. Other than the alcohol presented in the urine which was the most common shown, Cannabis was the second common drug found in the urine. The article states that this can support that any single drug can be categorized as a “date rape’ drug because the sexual assaults that the women claimed happened to them can be because a mixture of both drugs and alcohol at the same time.

<http://www.sciencedirect.com>

Date violence and date rape among adolescents: association with eating behaviors.

Objective: the goal of this study is to determine if date violence or date rape is affiliated with eating disorders and psychological health. A Minnesota school based sampled 81, 247 boys and girls in the 9th and 12th grade

Results: Approximately 9% of girls and 6% of boys experience date violence or rape, and all of different race and grade were found. Date violence and rape is associated with higher rates of disordered eating behaviors and suicidal thoughts and attempts. The research showed that 50% of girls who experience date violence or rape are more likely to develop an un-healthy behavior by using laxatives to help them throw up and suicide attempts.

Section 3: Statistics:

<http://www.sa.rochester.edu/masa/drugs.php>

Date Rape Drugs:

This article was somewhat helpful in finding information. It listed all the different kinds of drugs and chemicals and explained what’s in them and what causes it to harm you. At the same time this article had about the same information as the other articles and didn’t really state anything surprisingly new.

<http://www.rainn.org/statistics?gclid=CK67la3gopYCFsj2QAodTR856g>

RAINN

I found this article to be very helpful, it showed the statistics of women in college being victims of rape and violence. It showed how many men and women would be sexually assaulted in their lifetime. The article also stated that every two minutes someone in the US is sexually assaulted. They discussed that 60% of assault victims do not report it to the police. This article taught me a lot about women and what the assault rate is.

<http://www.medhunters.com/articles/dateRapeDrugs.html>

MedHunters:

I found this article was very helpful, It was an article about a person who use to work in a clinic and filed the assault documents, she stated that since 1990 things have changed dramatically, at first she noticed that women who were sexually assaulted was because the large amount of alcohol consumption, but now since then things have changed and drugs are now involved.

<http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/dvp/SV/SVDataSheet.pdf>

Sexual Violence:

This article showed the actual statistics adults have with sexual assaults, college students, and children and youth under the age of 17. It then discussed the health disparities and non-fatal injuries and medical attention. I thought this article was useful because I learned a lot just by three statistics and I learned that children as young as thirteen can be raped.

Section 4 Consumer Information:

[http://teenadvice.about.com/od/daterape/Date Rape What is it.htm](http://teenadvice.about.com/od/daterape/Date_Rape_What_is_it.htm)

Date Rape- what is it?

This Web site was very helpful in where to go if you are a victim of sexual assault by a date rape drug. There are many links you can go through to find different resources and advice and numbers to call if you are a victim yourself.

<http://library.louisville.edu/government/subjects/health/daterape.html>

Government Resources:

The Web sites information was very confusing to understand, the links that I clicked on was confusing in the sense that I had no clue what they were talking about. Since it was government issued I found that it must have been serious information I was reading I just could not understand it and it was all over the place.

http://www.health.columbia.edu/docs/topics/sexual_violence/daterape_drugs.html

Health Services: Date Rape Drugs

This article was very informative; it stated two other things that the other articles did not state. It gave information on what to do if your friend has been drugged and gave

us a link to go to for more information. It also showed on campus resources in case you are the victim or your friend is the victim and you don't know what to do.

<http://www.ibiblio.org/rcip/drdrugs.html>

Date Rape Drugs

This article like many explained the same thing, but instead of just explain it under each topic it gave examples of essay or other article at obtain to the topic. It also gave a number for the Santa-Monica-UCLA Medical Center. This Web site was very easy to read and understand.

Doing this project helped me get a better understanding on date rape pills. I found as I was researching each Web site basically said the same thing over and over again. It was rare to find two different Web sites or articles that had totally different information. He only thing I had trouble with was understanding the meaning of some of the words and their usage. In the background information section I found that the second Web site I have listed was very helpful because it also included the different types of drugs used in different types of places such as clubs. I found that the Healthy People 2010 was very hard to understand and confused me a lot. In the research section it was interesting to find that many women through out their life believe they have been a victim of a date rape pill and are that careless to know if they were or not.

I found the Statistic that showed how many women every two minutes are sexually assaulted, this shocked me because I didn't know it was that high, in our area. Every Web site in its own way was helpful in helping me gather information for my topic.

Back to Betty C. Jung's Web site	http://www.bettyjung.net/
Back to Web site Critique Reports Directory	http://www.bettyjung.net/Pch201wsreports.htm

Date Rape Drugs (Class Handout)

-After researching many Web sites and analyzing the background information on date rape drugs I found that the best Web site was Date Rape Drug Information:

<http://www.rad-systems.com/Resources/daterapedruginfo.html> it provided me with enough information I needed to know about the different types of date rape pills, as well as links to different Web sites to provide more information.

- The web site I found to be most helpful for the research section would <http://linkinghub.elsevier.com/retrieve/pii/S1353113101905139> the Web site provided me with good information and showed the amount of women who claim they have been victims of the date rape pill through out the years.

-The Web site I felt that was best for statistics was <http://www.rainn.org/statistics?gclid=CK67la3gopYCFSj2QAodTR856g> it showed all the different statistics between women in college, to men being victims and to how many people actually report being victims in their lifetime. It was very helpful while I was researching my topic.

-The best Web site that provided the best information on consumer information was, http://www.health.columbia.edu/docs/topics/sexual_violence/daterape_drugs.html this Web site provided good information where to go or what clinics you could visit if you were a victim of the date rape drug, it also provided information on what to do if one of your friends were victims. It was easy to understand and gather information.