

# **“Illicit stimulant use from a personal perspective”**

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# Background

- Drug use
- Social relationships
- Treatment
- Volunteering
- Applying to university

# Insights from intense period

# Experiences



Positive

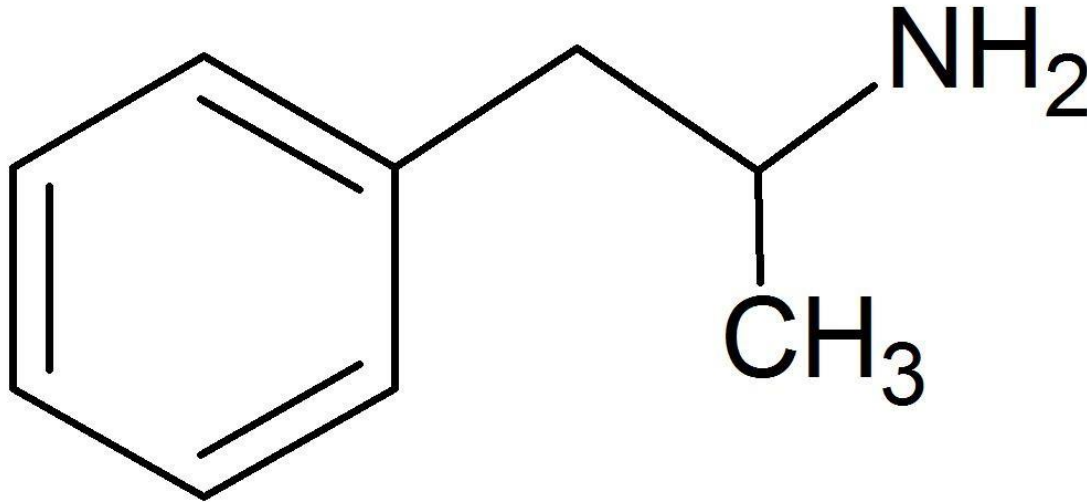
Negative



## Remission – meanings and insights



## Further drug use



## Treatment

- Family
- Dealing
- Support workers
- Breakthrough

# Novel Psychoactive substances - stimulants



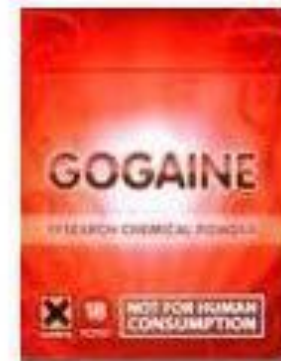
Benzo Fury



Annihilation



Black Mamba



Gogaine



Herbal Haze



Green Beans



Pink Panthers



Sparklee



## Policy perceptions

- Perceptions on prohibition
- Prison system
- Positive aspects of drug use
- Criminalization
- Education and harm reduction



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Thoughts and questions