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## **ANORECTIC DRUGS** **(AS APPETITE SUPPRESSANTS)**

### **What are Anorectic Drugs?**

A number of drugs have been developed and marketed to replace amphetamines as appetite suppressants. These anorectic drugs include benzphetamine (Didrex), diethylpropion (Tenuate, Tepanil), fenfluramine (Pondimin), mazindol (Sanorex, Mazanor), phendimetrazine (Bontril, Prelu-2, Plegine) and phentermine (Ionamin, AdipexP).

### **What do Anorectic Drugs look like?**

Anorectic drugs are sold as capsules or tablets.

### **How are they used?**

They are taken orally.

### **What are their short-term effects?**

They produce many of the effects of the amphetamines, but are generally less potent. All are controlled substances because of the similarity of their effects to those of the amphetamines.

### **What are their long-term effects?**

Unknown.

### **What are their federal classifications?**

Schedule III

### **Source**

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