LSD Intoxication Assessment

LSD is a hallucinogenic substance that distorts an individual's reality. Common manifestations of LSD abuse include psychosis, perceptual distortions, and visual hallucinations. Feelings of paranoia, depersonalization, and anxiety can also occur. Some individuals consider the perceptual distortions spiritual while others experience panic and a fear of going insane. Physical symptoms of LSD abuse include tachycardia, pupillary dilation, sweating, palpitations, vision blurring, and incoordination. Patients may experience hallucinatory flashbacks months to years after discontinuing use.



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Psychosis
Psycho in straight-jacket
Acute psychosis is a common symptom of LSD abuse. LSD affects serotonin levels in the brain, leading to changes in the patient's mood. LSD-induced acute psychosis may lead to self-harm or injury.

Perceptual Distortion
Perception Distorted
LSD is a hallucinogenic substance that leads to altered visual and auditory perception. The individual abusing LSD may experience mystical experiences and a heightened sense of awareness. Some patients report tranquility and euphoria, whereas others may perceive this altered state of consciousness as anxiety-inducing.

Visual Hallucinations
Visual Halloween-hallucination
Visual hallucinations are commonly seen in individuals abusing LSD. These range from mild visual pulsations (objects “breathing”) to severe.

Paranoia
Pear-nude
LSD abuse may trigger feelings of paranoia and a fear of overt psychosis. The individual may demonstrate impulsive behavior and rapid mood swings

Depersonalization
Detaching-from-person
Hallucinogenic substances such as LSD cause perceptual distortions that lead to feelings of depersonalization. The individual abusing LSD may believe they are observing themselves having the experience rather than experiencing it firsthand.

Anxiety
Anxiety-bag
LSD abuse may trigger an intense level of anxiety. The individual may experience an increased heart rate, increased blood pressure, and higher body temperature. Sweating and insomnia may also occur.

Tachycardia
Tac-heart-card
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