

INCREASED TOLERANCE FOR AMPHETAMINES AND GO TO ANOTHER DOCTOR WHERE THEY PRESENT THE SYMPTOMS OF EXTREME FATIGUE, ANXIETY, AND TENSION, AND TRANQUILIZERS OR SEDATIVES ARE PRESCRIBED.

WE HAVE FOUND VERY FEW AMPHETAMINE ABUSERS IN OUR TOWNSHIP WHO HAVE OBTAINED THEIR DRUGS FROM THE STREET IN RECENT YEARS. THIS IS NOT THE CASE WITH TRANQUILIZERS, SEDATIVES AND BARBITUATES, WHICH ARE MORE COMMON IN GENERAL AND MORE AVAILABLE IN THE ILLICIT DRUG TRAFFIC.

IF WE COULD SOMEHOW CONTROL THE PRODUCTION OF TRANQUILIZERS, SEDATIVES, AND BARBITUATES SO THAT TOMORROW THEY WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR ONLY THE APPROPRIATE MEDICAL USES, I WOULD THINK TWICE BEFORE DOING IT. I CERTAINLY WOULD NOT WANT TO DRIVE IN HEAVY TRAFFIC THE NEXT DAY!

THE KIND OF HUMAN SERVICES NECESSARY TO ENABLE LESS FORTUNATE MEMBERS OF OUR SOCIETY TO COPE IN A HEALTHY AND RESPONSIBLE WAY WITH THE STRESSES AND ANXIETIES OF MODERN DAY LIFE ARE SIMPLY NOT IN PLACE. THIS IS NOT TO SAY THAT DEPRESSANT DRUGS ARE NOT GROSSLY OVER-PRODUCED AND OVER-PRESCRIBED. THEY MOST CERTAINLY ARE, AND FEDERAL CONTROLS ARE URGENTLY NEEDED. HOWEVER, THESE CONTROLS SHOULD BE DEVELOPED CAREFULLY AND INSTITUTED WITH CAUTION. A PHASE-IN PERIOD OF SEVERAL YEARS IN WHICH PRODUCTION LIMITS WOULD TIGHTEN IN SET STEPS WOULD ALLOW FOR THE NECESSARY ON-GOING EVALUATION WHICH THIS EFFORT WOULD REQUIRE.