

REVIEW OF RECORDS OF DISPENSING PRACTITIONERS

A. As an integral part of this current survey, a sample number of dispensing practitioners were visited in an attempt to verify their adherence to the indications established by the Food and Drug Administration for the use of amphetamines in cases of obesity (short term use).

The results of these visits are as follows:

A Brooklyn, New York practitioner has a large practice as a Bariatric Specialist. This doctor dispenses 42 dosage units of Delcobese bi-weekly to patients at each visit. The strengths of the medication vary with each patient.

Of the selected group of 40 patients records reviewed, the following was revealed: At least 25 patients received amphetamine products for a period of more than 21 days and some for a period of up to one year. Another group received medication intermittently for a period of several weeks to more than two or three months.

Weight loss was achieved in most of the patients whose records were reviewed. The doctor stated that amphetamines were in many instances used as a maintenance drug in an attempt to keep weight from fluctuating.