

Drugged Driving: Enforcement Challenges

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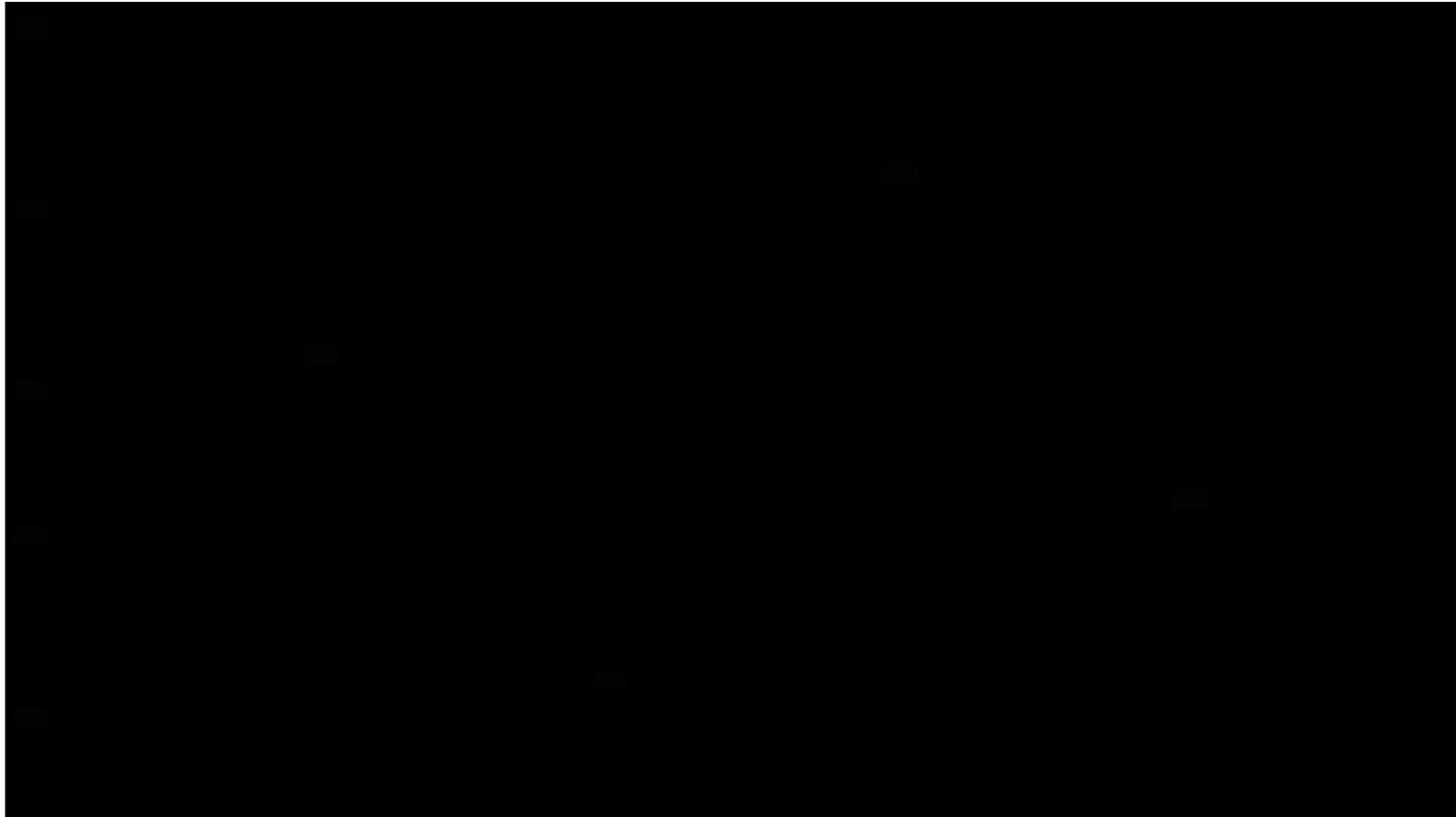


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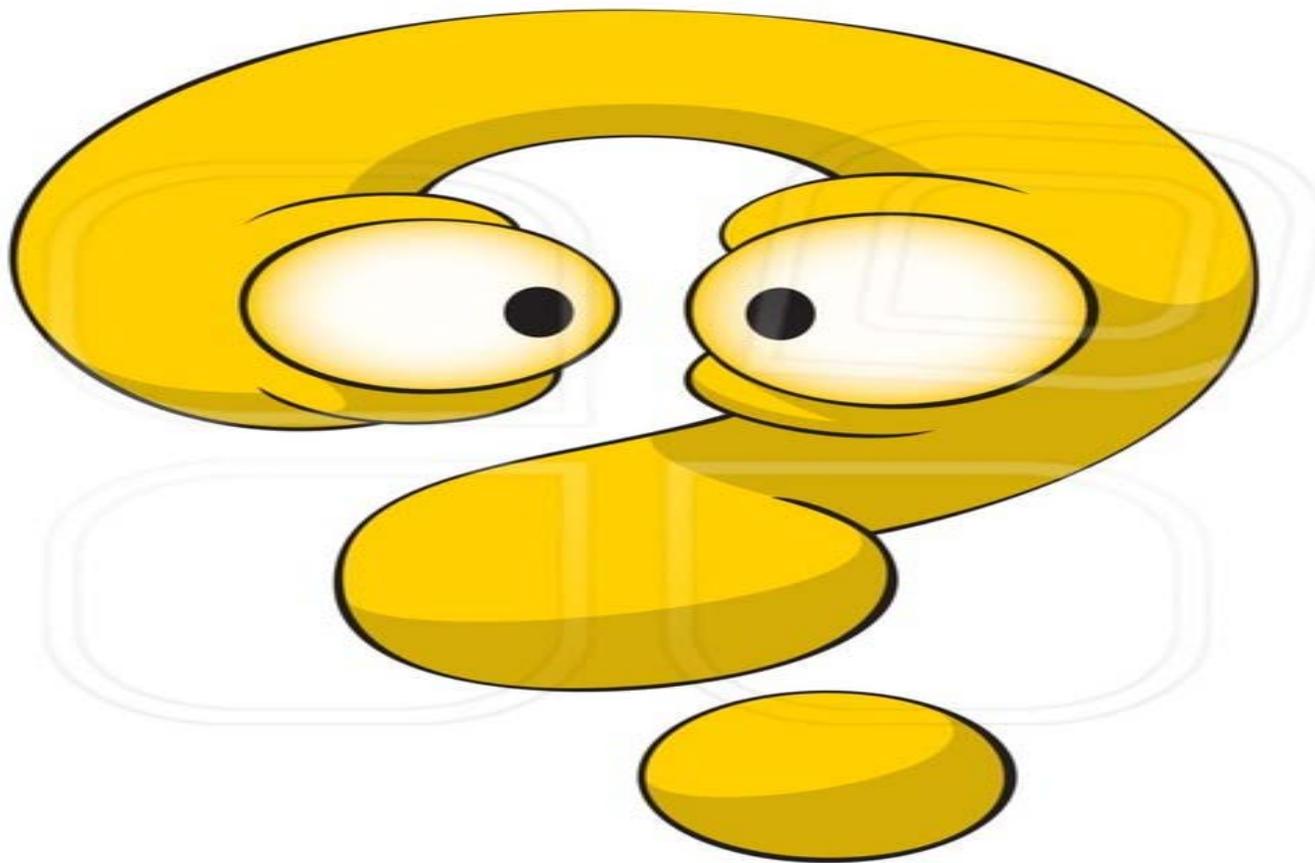
- WEAVING WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE LANES OF TRAVEL
- SLOW RESPONSES
- UNABLE TO CONTROL VEHICLE IN APPROPRIATE MANNER
- SLURRED SPEECH
- LACK OF COORDINATION AND BALANCE
- RED BLOOD SHOT EYES
- ODOR OF AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE



We All Know A Drunk



What Does A Drugged Driver Look Like?



Drugged Driving

- SLOW SLUGGISH
- LACK OF BALANCE OR COORDINATION
- LOW PULSE/ BLOOD PRESSURE
- CONSTRICTED PUPILS
- FLACCID MUSCLE TONE
- RAPID MOVEMENTS
- TOLERANT USERS PERFORM WELL ON SFST'S
- INCREASED PULSE/ BLOOD PRESSURE
- DILATED PUPILS
- RIGID MUSCLE TONE

Drugged Driving



The Problem

2015 PA OFFICERS MADE APPROX 52,000
DUI ARRESTS

26,000 (HALF) WERE DRUGGED DRIVING

13,000 WERE DRUGS ONLY

13,000 WERE BOTH DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

ACCURATE?



Accurate

- DATA IS NOT ALWAYS COLLECTED
- OFFICERS DON'T ALWAYS REQUEST DRUG TESTING IF ALCOHOL IS PRESENT
- OFFICERS LACK TRAINING IN DRUGGED DRIVING
- NEW DRUGS ARE ALWAYS EMERGING



Drug

ANY SUBSTANCE WHICH WHEN TAKEN INTO THE HUMAN BODY, CAN IMPAIR THE ABILITY OF THE PERSON TO OPERATE A VEHICLE SAFELY.



Drug

- ILLICIT DRUGS
- DESIGNER DRUGS
- OVER THE COUNTER MEDICATIONS
- PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS
- **MARIJUANA**



Winning The War

- ADVANCED ROADSIDE IMPAIRMENT DETECTION ENFORCEMENT (A.R.I.D.E)
- DRUG EVALUATION CLASSIFICATION PROGRAM (D.E.C. PROGRAM)
DRUG RECOGNITION EXPERTS
- NEW ADVANCES IN TESTING
- MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS
- EDUCATION



Questions?

