# [Anabolic Steroids] Side Effects & Risks

# Side effects & risks when using include:

## \* Blood Borne Viruses

Steroid injectors are now as likely as heroin injectors to be HIV positive.

### \* Abscesses

Injecting steroids may cause abscesses or other injecting related problems.

#### \* Acne

Steroids can cause acne.

#### \* Gynaecomastia

#### (Gyno, Bitch tits)

Steroids can cause the development of female breast tissue in men.

#### \* Aggression

Steroids may cause mood changes and increased levels of aggression.

### \* Hair loss

Steroids may cause hair loss or baldness in some men.

#### Water retention

(Unwanted weight-gain) Although this can help you lift more it can give you a poor quality muscle definition and 'moon face'.

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#### \* Liver damage

Using steroids in oral form may be harmful to your liver. Liver damage caused by drinking alcohol is a serious and growing problem. Using alcohol or other drugs on top of steroids, will put an extra strain on your liver.



### \* Steroid Crash

Taking anabolic steroids for more than a few weeks often leads to a shutdown of your natural testosterone production – this causes symptoms such as feeling low, feeling tired, irritability, loss of sex drive and erectile dysfunction.

#### EVEN STUFF TAKEN FOR PCT CAN HAVE UNWANTED SIDE EFFECTS

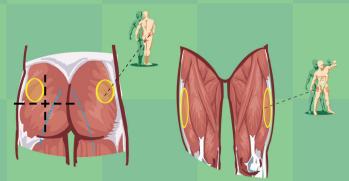


Most steroids are produced in underground labs which may not be sterile, and may have poor dose and drug quality control.

# [Anabolic Steroids] Injecting Steroids

## Injecting steroids into a muscle

- \* 1. Ensure the area used to prepare steroids for injecting is sterile. (Oil based steroids should be stored at room temperature)
- \* 2. Wash your hands and thoroughly clean skin around injection site.
- \* 3. Draw up steroids into the syringe with a new green needle.
- **\*** 4. Remove the needle from the end and place in a sharps bin.
- \* 5. Attach a new long blue needle to the syringe.
- \* 6. Remove excess air from the syringe. (for smoother injecting)
- **\*** 7. Carefully insert the needle.
- \* 8. Pull back on plunger a little. (If blood appears – withdraw needle, apply pressure, change needle and try again)
- \* 9. Take your time and inject slowly. (20 seconds or so)
- \* 10. Dispose of all used equipment in a sharps bin. (Return to your needle exchange/pharmacy)



A drug worker should be able to show you the exact location of muscles suitable for injection