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# Heroin: From Heaven to Hell & Back Again

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#### Abstract

Heroin abuse, addiction, and overdoses are epidemically killing Americans. No longer is there stereotypical demographics that are affected. The walls have come down and heroin has infiltrated American communities with no bias and no quarter. This paper looks at heroin the drug and why it is so powerful. This work addresses the history of heroin in America and the journey from an over the counter remedy to the Schedule I narcotic it is today. This author is not only educated in the addiction field but is also a long term recovering heroin addict. In the end, how those in the field of addiction recovery, are needed to be the prominent leaders to life saving solutions, will be covered in great detail

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