

# SUBSTANCE USE IN WOMEN AND MEN

## DIFFERENCES IN MARIJUANA USE DISORDER

### WOMEN

- ◆ Develop disorder more quickly<sup>1</sup>
- ◆ More anxiety disorders<sup>2</sup>
- ◆ More panic attacks<sup>2</sup>

### MEN

- ◆ More severe disorder<sup>1</sup>
- ◆ More antisocial personality disorders<sup>2</sup>
- ◆ More of other substance use problems<sup>2</sup>

## PRESCRIPTION PAIN MEDICINES

Women are less likely to misuse or abuse prescription pain medicines.<sup>3</sup>

**4**  
**MILLION**

women report past-year misuse.

**5**  
**MILLION**

men report past-year misuse.

## TREATMENT FOR SLEEPING AID MISUSE

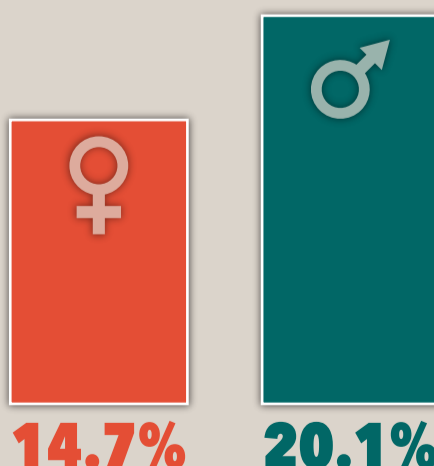
Women are more likely to seek treatment for misuse of barbiturates.<sup>4</sup>

**55%**  
of past-year treatment admissions for barbiturate misuse are **women**.

**45%**  
of past-year treatment admissions for barbiturate misuse are **men**.

## QUITTING NICOTINE

Nicotine replacement options, such as the patch or gum, are less effective for women than for men.<sup>5</sup>



Quit rates after 6 months on the nicotine patch