

## **Editorial: Meth Project**

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**Editorial:** There were survey results released this week examining the attitudes that Georgia teens, young adults and parents have towards the use of methamphetamine.

The survey found that 35% of teens see little or no risk in trying meth and 23% see little or no risk in using the drug regularly.

They also report that meth is easy to obtain. A great number of Georgia teens even say there are specific benefits to using meth. They say it helps with weight loss, attitude and boredom.

Behavioral research shows that parent/child communication is one of the best prevention methods for reducing risky behavior, yet this survey shows that 58% of teens say their parents have never talked to them about meth.

Just so you are clear about this, meth is highly addictive and can cause brain damage, irreversible physical damage and extreme psychosis. Parents, you have to talk to your kids and teens about the dangers of meth use. It is available to them, it is relatively inexpensive and it can kill them.

For more information go to georgiamethproject.org.