



The highest risk of developing a substance use disorder for women is between the ages of 18 to 29 years old.

The most commonly reported substance used during pregnancy is tobacco, followed by alcohol, cannabis and then other illicit substances.

The risk of stillbirth increases by 23% in

5% of women use one or more addictive

habitual smokers.

substances during pregnancy.

- Every 25 minutes, a baby is born with
- neonatal abstinence syndrome, a group of conditions involving infant withdrawal from drugs exposed to while in the womb.

DURING PREGNANCY

developmental problems

Behavioral and

Fetal alcohol spectrum disorders

Miscarriage

Low birth weight

Neonatal abstinence syndrome

Premature birth

Placenta abruption

- Stillbirth

syndrome (SIDS)

Sudden infant death

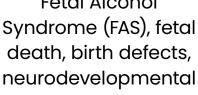
DRUG EXPOSURE

SYMPTOMS OF PRENATAL



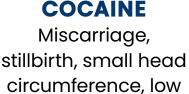
death, birth defects,

neurodevelopmental disorders



risk of SIDS, placental abruption, neonatal abstinence syndrome

Stillbirth, increased



circumference, low birth weight

STIMULANTS Stillbirth, placental abruption, miscarriage, brain

abnormalities,

heart defects

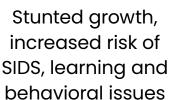
COMMON REASONS FOR DRUG

USE DURING PREGNANCY



weight, behavioral

and developmental problems



TOBACCO

AGE Childbearing ages (15-44) coincide with a time when new life experiences are sought

out, and drug use may begin

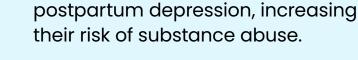
POSTPARTUM DEPRESSION

Struggling to cope with or adapt to lifestyle changes leads an estimated 15% of new mothers to be affected by



INABILITY TO QUIT Daily smokers, heavy drinkers and long-term

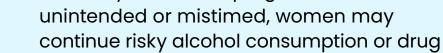
drug abusers find it the hardest to quit, with only 1 in 3 smokers being able to guit in the prenatal period.



PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS Some of these drugs are highly addictive and, without careful monitoring, the mother may become dependent and cause harm to the baby.

As nearly half of U.S. pregnancies are

UNPLANNED PREGNANCY



use and inadvertently harm the baby.





to as co-occurring disorders.

Substance use disorders increase the risk of mental health disorders, and when an individual suffers from both, it is referred

The most common mental health disorders for a co-occurring disorder include:









