

## Who Uses DAWN?—Federal Agencies

- The White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) uses DAWN to assess progress and pinpoint problems in controlling drug abuse in the U.S. DAWN is an essential component of ONDCP's 25-Cities Initiative, which is aimed at developing coordinated local efforts to understand and respond to drug abuse.
- The Food and Drug Administration has relied on DAWN for many years to assess the abuse potential of prescription drugs—information used in decision-making on drug scheduling and labeling. Now, the FDA uses data from *New*DAWN for post-marketing surveillance and to identify adverse reactions and other health consequences of prescription drugs.
- The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) uses DAWN to identify emerging drug abuse problems, new populations affected, and needs for prevention and treatment services. SAMHSA regulates buprenorphine, a new treatment for opiate addiction, and uses DAWN to monitor ED visits associated with buprenorphine.