The illicit drug supply is constantly in flux. In recent weeks, three (3) samples of recovered narcotics sold as crack cocaine were analyzed to be 100% bupropion (brand name Wellbutrin). They were packaged as white and brown rock to resemble crack cocaine.

Wellbutrin facts
Bupropion is an FDA-approved medication. It is used to treat depression and for smoking cessation. It is one of the most widely prescribed medications in the nation.

Community hazard
When consumed by users expecting crack cocaine, it can cause serious reactions, including seizures, heart problems, and cardiac arrest.

Patrol advisory
If you encounter someone with these reactions, you may be witnessing someone overdosing on Wellbutrin. Summon medical attention immediately.

Officer safety
You may see disputes in your communities over drug supplies where buyers expect crack and receive Wellbutrin instead.

NOTE: This tainted drug supply does not present an occupational hazard for police, but does pose substantial risk for users.