## Vicodin, Norco, Zydone, Hydrocodone

Street Name: Prescription Lortab and Norco and Hycodan cough syrup

Chemical Name: 4,5a epoxy-3-methyoxy-17-methylmorphinan-6-one tartrate (1:1) hydrate (2:5)

## Routes Of Administration: Oral

Effects: Euphoria if not taken as directed, drowsiness, constricted pupils, nausea.

**Risks:** This drug is very potent. Even small amounts can have grave effects. There is risk of stopping breathing, aspiration and suffocation from inhaling vomit while intoxicated on this drug.

Hydrocodone is more potent than codeine or morphine. It is a moderate potency painkiller that is combined with acetaminophen.

The acetaminophen can harm the liver when taken in larger than usually prescribed quantities or taken for a prolonged period of time. Hydrocodone is available in liquid for as a cough suppressant.

Hydrocodone detoxification does not have to be scary under the care of Joel A. Nathan, MD, a certified addiction medicine physician with over 15 years of experience treating hydrocodone addiction.

Our center adheres to high standards of safety for hydrocodone detoxification procedures. Our treatments avoid much of the discomfort associated with withdrawal, by using advanced medical procedures and FDA-approved medications such as suboxone which is sublingual buprenorphine.

Patients appreciate the personal attention we give. Our confidentiality and discreet New York City office locations put our patients at ease.

Due to pharmaceutical advances such as suboxone ( buprenorphine ), our treatment programs help prepare our patients for a life free of hydrocodone abuse.