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# HOT HOLLYWOOD

"Mike had a bad drug problem a few years ago," says a source. "Lately, he's been really sick again."



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**T**HE SITUATION, IT SEEMS, IS serious. **Mike "The Situation" Sorrentino**, 29, the abs-flaunting perpetual partier on MTV's *Jersey Shore*, has landed in rehab. On March 21, the professional clubber (a source says he pulls in up to \$25,000 per appearance) confessed he's addicted to pills. "I have voluntarily taken steps to get control of a prescription-medication problem I had due to exhaustion," Sorrentino, who is reportedly at Utah's Cirque Lodge, wrote on SitchNews.com. And it's about time, sources say.

THE SITUATION

## THE PARTY'S OVER

"He needed it," one pal says of the reality star, reportedly in treatment for alcohol abuse as well. "He was in bad shape." **Downward spiral** As far back as a year ago, Sorrentino's abuse of oxycodone and Xanax had gotten so out of hand, "MTV producers wanted to put him in rehab," an insider reveals. Ex-castmate **Angelina Pivarnick** recalls that, while filming the Miami season in 2010, "he got in trouble for having pills." Still, the native of NYC's Staten Island — who did a pre-*Shore* stint in rehab — kept self-medicating, says the insider. Now his career is in question. While an MTV rep insists the "entire cast" will return for season 6 later this year, a sober Sorrentino presents a whole new, uh, sitch. "Clubs aren't going to want him to promote while stone-cold sober," says an industry source. "His out-of-control character on the show is what's appealing about him."