

FENTANYL OVERDOSE IS ON THE RISE.

Fentanyl is a synthetic opioid that is up to 100x stronger than other opioids. It is often knowingly or unknowingly mixed with other street drugs and has no smell or taste, making it nearly undetectable. Fentanyl use greatly increases the chance of overdose and death. Follow the safety tips below to avoid fentanyl overdose.



INSPECT

Before using, **use fentanyl testing strips** to inspect your supply for the presence of fentanyl.



SECURE

Make sure you **secure Narcan/Naloxone** to have on hand in the event of an overdose.



AVOID

Avoid using alone. If you do overdose, it is vital that someone is there to help you.



ALERT

An opioid overdose is a medical emergency. **Alert 911 right away** if an overdose occurs. *Michigan's Good Samaritan Law protects you and the person overdosing*

To learn more about fentanyl and where to access testing strips, Naloxone or support, visit **KnowMoreGenesee.org** or scan the QR code with your smart phone camera.



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OPIOID OVERDOSE: KNOW THE SIGNS. KNOW HOW TO RESPOND.

THERE ARE MANY SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF OPIOID MISUSE AND OVERDOSE. DURING AN OVERDOSE, IT IS IMPORTANT TO ACT FAST TO HELP SAVE A LIFE.

Know the Signs of Opioid Overdose:

- ▶ Small constricted "pinpoint pupils"
- ▶ Falling asleep or loss of consciousness
- ▶ Slow, shallow breathing
- ▶ Choking or gurgling sounds
- ▶ Limp body
- ▶ Pale, blue or cold skin

Know How to Respond During an Opioid Overdose:

- ▶ Call 911 immediately
- ▶ Administer Naloxone, if available
- ▶ Try to keep the person awake and breathing
- ▶ Lay the person on their side to prevent choking
- ▶ Stay with him/her until emergency workers arrive

Know Where to Get Naloxone:

- ▶ Naloxone is a medicine that rapidly reverses an opioid overdose. It can quickly restore normal breathing to a person if their breathing has slowed or stopped due to an opioid overdose.
- ▶ If you or a loved one is at risk for an opioid overdose, it is important that you have Naloxone on hand.

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