

Toxic Drug Alert



Issued for Prince George, BC

For Immediate Release

October 14, 2022

There has been an increase in overdose events in the community of **Prince George**. The reported substance has high amounts of fentanyl, tested positive for benzodiazepines, and is described as purple chunks being sold as down in the Prince George area. There are reports of heavy sedation and an increase in overdoses when the substance is taken.

Substances move throughout our region and may present in your community so please share this alert widely and use with caution following the harm reduction messages below.

For your safety

- Get overdose prevention, recognition, and response training; carry naloxone
- Don't use alone. Make a plan and tell a buddy who can call for help if needed
- If you plan to use alone, use the Lifeguard or BeSafe app available free on the app store or on Toward the Heart website (<https://towardtheheart.com>)
- Know your tolerance. If you are sick or had a time of abstinence or reduced use, use much less
- When possible, avoid mixing drugs or mixing drugs with alcohol
- Test a small amount first and go slow
- Use in an OPS if possible (see Prince George locations listed below)
- Access fentanyl drug checking where available (OPS sites)
- Call 911 or your local emergency number right away if someone overdoses

Local overdose prevention sites (OPS)

Two Doors Down 1126 3rd Ave Prince George BC

Hours: Tuesday – Saturday 6am-11am & 6pm-11pm

Needle Exchange 1108 3rd Ave, Prince George BC

Hours: Monday – Saturday 1pm-6pm



Alert Expires

October 28, 2022



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