



OVERDOSE ALERT



Multiple overdoses resulting in seizure activity

Presence of AMB-FUB (synthetic cannabinoid) in Vernon drug sample: brown/purplish down

Vernon, BC

Sept 16th, 2020

There have been multiple reports of opioid overdoses including seizure presentation. A recent sample of 'down' tested in Vernon has shown positive for AMB FUB (synthetic cannabinoid) which is known to cause seizures.

For your safety:

- Avoid using different drugs at the same time or using drugs and alcohol together.
- **Get your drugs checked** – see service information below.
- Don't use alone. Leave door unlocked. Tell someone to check on you.
- If you feel you must use while alone, consider using the [Lifeguard app](#) which can connect you with 911 emergency responders in the event of an overdose. Download at the [App Store](#) or [Google Play](#).
- Test by using a small amount, then go slow.
- Carry a Naloxone kit and know how to use it.
- Use at an overdose prevention or supervised consumption site if one is near you.

Know the signs of overdose and how to respond

- Recognize the signs of an OD: slow or no breathing, gurgling or gasping, lips/fingertips turning blue, difficult to rouse (awaken), non-responsive.
- Call 9-1-1 immediately
- Open airway and give rescue breaths
- Give naloxone (Narcan) if you have it.

Naloxone Kits and Training available at:

- Downtown Vernon MHSU – OPS
- Cammy LaFleur Street Outreach
- Urgent Primary Care Centre
- Vernon Health Centre
- <https://towardtheheart.com/site-finder>

Overdose Prevention Site/ Drug Checking :

Downtown Vernon MHSU – OPS
Mon – Fri 9am – 3pm
*drop in to enquire about sample testing

Drug checking Fentanyl Test Strip

- Cammy LaFleur Street Outreach
- Downtown MHSU - OPS



ALERT IN EFFECT UNTIL: SEPT 23, 2020 (ONE WEEK AFTER ISSUE). PLEASE REMOVE AFTER THIS DATE.