# **Toxic Drug Alert**



## Issued for Dawson Creek, BC

#### For Immediate Release

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There has been an increase in overdose events including one death in the community of Dawson Creek. The reported substance is a **brown/gold beige colored tablet** sold as **Fentanyl**. Specific adulterants testing is underway.

This substance is highly toxic, causes heavy and prolonged sedation, and requires more naloxone to reverse. Overdoses are happening when the substance is smoked and/or injected.

#### Be cautious when using substances and follow the safety tips below:

- Get training to prevent, recognize, and respond to an overdose; carry naloxone
- Don't use alone. Make a plan and tell someone you trust 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 (<a href="https://towardtheheart.com">https://towardtheheart.com</a>)
- Know your tolerance. If you are sick or had a time of abstinence or reduced use, use much less
- Don't mix drugs or mix drugs with alcohol
- Test a small amount first and go slow
- Use in an OPS if possible (see Dawson Creek location listed below)
- Access fentanyl drug checking where available (OPS sites)
- Call 911 or your local emergency number right away if someone overdoses
- For more information: Fake pills are increasing in BC.

### Local overdose prevention sites (OPS)

Dawson Creek (temporary) OPS

Address: 1001 110 Ave, Dawson Creek, BC Hours: Monday to Sunday, 10 am to 10 pm





