# **Toxic Drug Alert**



## Issued for Dawson Creek, BC

#### For Immediate Release

June 19, 2025

Northern Health has issued a Toxic Drug Alert for Dawson Creek. A green substance sold as "down" has been linked to sudden overdoses requiring naloxone and/or hospitalization. Overdoses occur when the substance is inhaled. Use caution when using substances through any route.

### For your safety

- Get overdose prevention, recognition, and response training; carry naloxone.
- Try not to use alone. Make a plan and tell a trusted person 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>) or call NORS (National
  Overdose Response Service) 1-888-688-6677 (NORS).
- 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, start low and go slow.
- Get your drugs checked.
- Use the local Overdose Prevention Site (OPS).
- Call 911 or your local emergency number right away if someone overdoses.

## **Local Supports and Overdose Prevention Sites**

**Dawson Creek (temporary) OPS** 

Address: 1001 110 Ave, Dawson Creek, BC

OPS hours: Monday to Sunday, 10 am to 10 pm



Alert Expires July 3, 2025



