

# Toxic Drug Alert



## Issued for Prince George, BC

For immediate release: November 22, 2024

Northern Health has issued a Toxic Drug Alert for **Prince George**. A brown drug sold as fentanyl and a purple drug sold as “down” have been linked to an increase in overdoses. The purple drug has tested positive for benzos and xylazine. These drugs cause rapid, heavy, and prolonged sedation. Overdoses occur when the drugs are smoked and/or injected.

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 (<https://towardtheheart.com>) or call NORS (National Overdose Response Service) 1-888-688-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.
- Use in an Overdose Prevention Site (OPS), see below for hours.
- Get your drugs checked at Two Doors Down, see below for hours.
- Call 911 or your local emergency number right away if someone overdoses.

## Local Supports and Overdose Prevention Sites

Prince George Harm Reduction Clinic (needle exchange)

Address: 277 George St, Prince George, BC V2L 1R1

Phone: 250-645-3810

**Monday to Saturday, 9-11:30 am, and 1:15-6:30 pm**

**OPS by request/door service: Sunday, 9-11:30 am, and 1:15-6:30 pm**

**OPS/Drop-in: Monday to Saturday, 1-6 pm**

Nursing services by appointment

**Monday to Saturday, 9-11:30 am, with open clinic hours 1:15-6:15 pm**

Mobile harm reduction supplies (The wellness or outreach truck)

**Monday to Saturday, 7-11:30 pm**

Two Doors Down

1126 3rd Ave, Prince George, BC

**OPS/Drop-in: Wednesday to Saturday, 10 am to 2 pm, 5-9 pm**

**Drug Checking: Wednesday to Saturday, 1-5 pm**



Alert Expires

December 6, 2024



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