

## **IMPORTANT**

## **Community Warning!!**

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## Increase in overdoses from bad drugs

There is evidence of a lethally harmful opioid being distributed at the street level, causing an increase in overdoses requiring several doses of Naloxone to reverse.

"Royal Blue Dope" (Fent) has recently appeared on the market and is quickly becoming popular right now. Please be aware that it is extremely strong and toxic.

Ensure you take precautions to reduce your risk of overdose. People who use drugs can reduce the risk of harm from fentanyl and other opioids by:

- Using drugs in the presence of others or arranging for someone to check in on them.
- Trying a small amount before using their usual amount.
- Calling 911 if someone develops signs of opioid toxicity.
- If using in a group, avoiding using drugs at the same time.
- Encourage individuals who use drugs no to use alone
- Encourage those who plan to use alone to download the Lifeguard Digital Health App
- If in Thunder Bay, using the supervised consumption service (Path 252) open daily from 10am to 6pm @Norwest Community Health Centres
- Carry a Naloxone kit

## **Signs of Overdose**

Impaired breathing, loss of consciousness, inability to talk, blue fingernails or lips, or loud snoring or gurgling.



Get the Lifeguard Digital
Health App



Pick up Naloxone Kits from Dilico Health and Dilico Mental Health & Addiction Services, TB Health Unit and most Pharmacies

Call 911 if your high feels unusual, or if you suspect someone is overdosing

We are here to provide education and support to our community members. For immediate assistance and support please contact any of the following individuals:

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