



Crack has tested positive with fentanyl

Fentanyl is a strong synthetic opioid. Laced with other street drugs it increases the risk of overdose.

There have been recent reports that a sample of crack tested positive for fentanyl using test strips. It is believed that the substance was recently purchased in Mistissini.

If you have purchased crack in Mistissini recently, we encourage you to dispose of it and avoid using it. We also encourage community members to be alert to the possibility of opioid overdoses among people who use substances.

At this time, the Mistissini CMC has not received any reports of opioid overdoses related to this situation.

Additional Information

Signs of opioid overdose:

- Person is unresponsive.
- Slow, shallow breathing.
- Gurgling sounds or snoring.
- Cold, clammy or bluish skin.
- Severe sleepiness or loss of consciousness.
- Cyanosis (blue lips and nails)
- Miosis (pinpoint pupils)

What can you do in an opioid overdose?

- Call emergency services immediately for medical assistance.
- Use Naloxone/NARCAN if you have one.
- NARCAN nasal spray is available at the local CMC pharmacies for free.
- Do not use substances alone.
- Wait for the ambulance to come and do not leave the person.
- Good Samaritan Act protects caller when reporting overdoses.

