FENTANYL (NARCOTICS/OPIOIDS)

WHAT IS IT?

Fentanyl is a synthetic opioid that is 50-100 times stronger than morphine. Pharmaceutical fentanyl was developed for pain management treatment of cancer patients, applied in a patch on the skin. Because of its powerful opioid properties, Fentanyl is also diverted for abuse. Fentanyl is added to heroin to increase its potency, or be disguised as highly potent heroin. Many users believe that they are purchasing heroin and actually don't know that they are purchasing fentanyl – which often results in overdose deaths. Clandestinely-produced fentanyl is primarily manufactured in Mexico.

LOOKS LIKE?

- Fentanyl maybe disguised as another drug.
- > Abuser beware.

One line is crushed Fentanyl pills.

One line is Heroin.

One line is Cocaine.

Can you tell the difference?





Counterfeit: Fentanyl disguised as Oxycodone Hydrochloride 30mg (M 30)



Fentanyl Systemic 100 mcg (C 1)



Oxycodone Hydrochloride 30mg (M 30)

STREET NAMES

- Apace
- China Girl
- China Town
- China White
- Dance Fever
- Goodfellas
- Great Bear
- ▶ He-Man
- Poison and Tango & Cash





IMAGES OF "RAINBOW FENTANYL". NOTICE THE IMPRESSIONS (M 30)

HOW DOES IT AFFECT THE BODY

- Similar to other opioid analgesics, Fentanyl produces effects such as: relaxation, euphoria, pain relief, sedation, confusion, drowsiness, dizziness, nausea and vomiting, urinary retention, pupillary constriction, and respiratory depression.
- Withdrawals symptoms cravings for fentanyl, chills/goosebumps, diarrhea, irritability, nausea or vomiting, pain, runny nose and yawning, restless sleep or trouble sleeping, sweating, stomach cramps, weakness.





HOW IS IT USEDS

- > SHOTS
- > PATCHES
- > NASAL SPRAY
- ORALLY
- OR ANY OTHER WAY THAT ILLEGAL DRUGS ARE USED WHEN MIXED WITH/OR SOLD AS COUNTERFEIT:
 - > COCAINE
 - MDMA (ECSTASY)
 - MORPHINE
 - METH
 - PRESCRIPTION PILLS



TOXICITY

> This is the amount that is lethal in MOST people.



FENTANYL ABUSE, ADDICTION

Symptoms & Side Effects of Fentanyl

- BLURRED VISION
- EXTREME EUPHORIA
- NAUSEA
- DRY MOUTH
- CONSTIPATION
- PROBLEMS BREATHING
- > TROUBLE SLEEPING
- ISSUES CONCENTRATING

DIAGNOSING OPIOID RELATED ABUSE & ADDICTION

- Have you changed your dose or frequency of doses without talking to your doctor?
- Are you taking your fentanyl in the way it is not supposed to be taken? Are you snorting, smoking or injecting it?
- Do you think you need to have better control over the amount of fentanyl you are taking?
- Have you ever tried to stop taking fentanyl and been unable to?
- Are you spending a lot of time trying to find fentanyl?
- Has fentanyl had a negative affect on your responsibilities?
- Has fentanyl caused a problem in your relationships?
- Have you used fentanyl in dangerous situations?
- Are you taking more fentanyl than you used to and having the same effects?
- If you don't take fentanyl, do you experience withdrawal?

Fentanyl Opioid Drug Overdose

- breathing issues (shallow, restricted, lack of)
- unable to speak or not making sense
- strange behavior followed by losing consciousness
- trouble moving
- body stiffening or mimicking seizure activity
- non-responsive (even to painful stimuli)
- gurgling sounds or strange sounds similar to snoring
- change in skin appearance (turning blue/gray), including nail beds and lips
- weakened or erratic pulse
- foaming at the mouth
- vomiting
- choking
- pupils are very tiny, like pinholes

HELP AND SUPPORT: DRUG PROGRAM FOR FENTANYL (OPIOID USE AND OVERDOSE TREATMENT FACILITIES)

Due to federal regulations, a diagnosis of an opioid use disorder is needed to enroll in an opioid treatment facility. This can happen in a number of ways, a primary care provider, a mental health services facility, or during the intake process at an opioid treatment facility.

The steps after diagnosis are pretty straightforward. A supervised, <u>medical detox program</u>, followed by a multidimensional therapeutic approach to help a person struggling with opioid addiction to maintain sobriety with a solid aftercare plan to help prevent relapse. This treatment plan in always individualized and is continuously monitored and adjusted based on patient needs.

All services offered in opioid treatment facilities are required to be clearly outlined and followed to completion. This means that the program is obligated to find solutions to issues that are explored while in treatment. This is why therapeutic, medical, educational, and vocational services are offered as a part of the multidimensional treatment process.

Struggling with a fentanyl dependence, abuse, or addiction problem doesn't have to be something to take on alone. We offer treatment services that will allow a person to stop taking fentanyl and maintain sobriety while providing an environment to explore what the next step after sobriety can be.

RESOURCES

DEA WEBSITE (https://www.dea.gov/factsheets/fentanyl)

NIH WEBSITE (https://nida.nih.gov/publications/drugfacts/fentanyl)

PDR WEBSITE (https://www.drugs.com/imprints/)

USA CID Crime Prevention Flyer: "Rainbow Fentanyl" Threatens The Army Community, Dated September 8, 2022

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