

Our Drop In Services

Syringe access and disposal

Safer smoking kits

Overdose education

Naloxone and Fentanyl test strips

Shower and bathroom facilities (till 2pm)

Onsite Laundry services (last load at 2pm)

Community Lunch (every Wednesday)

Community Clothing Closet

Peer Groups and Activities

Yoga (every Tuesday and Thursday)

Harm Reduction Counseling

Onsite case management services

Wound Care, HEP C + HIV testing and treatment with Baltimore City Health Department Van (every other Wednesday)

COVID-19 vaccine clinics (call to check times)

PPE and Hand Sanitizer

General & Feminine Hygiene Kits

Safer Sex Materials

Case Management Services

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Assistance in applying for housing

Assistance in applying for benefits

Connection to Mental Health and Medical care

Transportation assistance

Prescription support

Substance use treatment

Budget Management

Assistance in obtaining personal documents; ID's Birth Certificate

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Harm Reduction Tip of the Week!



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1214 N Wolfe St,
Baltimore, MD 21213

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Hours

Mon-Thurs

Open 10am-12:00 pm
& 12:30pm-3:30pm

Closed 12-12:30pm

Closed all day Friday

TESTING FOR FENTANYL

It's a good practice in harm reduction to always test your drugs for Fentanyl before using them



Knowing if your drugs contains Fentanyl will allow you to make an informed decision on if and how you would like to proceed in using your drugs

Rapid Response Fentanyl Test Strips can indicate the presence of 10 different kinds of Fentanyl in substances that are injected, smoked, sniffed, or ingested in pill form

Fentanyl test strips can only detect the presence of Fentanyl in drugs, not the percentage of Fentanyl in the drugs

WHAT YOU'LL NEED
1-2 new Fentanyl Test Strip(s)



A clean cooker or clean container that can hold liquid



Clean water

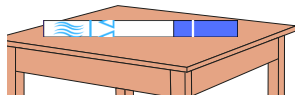
HOW TO USE THE FENTANYL TEST STRIP

1. Pull your test strip out of the pack, and holding the solid blue tip, dip the other end into the cooker (*be sure to not let the liquid go past the horizontal solid blue line at the bottom of the strip)

2. Hold the strip in the liquid for 15 seconds



3. Remove the strip from the liquid and lay it on a flat, solid, clean surface for 30 seconds



PREPARING YOUR SUBSTANCE FOR TESTING



Pills

1. Crush the pill completely to evenly distribute the Fentanyl, if present
2. Use a small amount of the pill or the pill residue to test
3. Add the residue to a clean cooker or container
4. Add a small amount of water to the cooker to capture the residue

Injectables



1. Prepare your shot using a cooker
2. Load your syringe with your shot
3. Add a small amount of water to your cooker to capture the drug residue for testing



Smoking or Snorting



1. Empty the contents into a new container from the container/baggie the contents came in
2. Add a bit of water to the original container/baggie & mix it around a bit

RESULTS

One solid red line on the left center of the strip means that there is Fentanyl detected in your drugs

Positive



2 solid red lines means no Fentanyl was detected in your drugs

Negative



1 solid red line to the right center (a faint red line to the left may also be present) means the test was invalid, it's a good idea to test again.

Invalid



If Fentanyl is detected in your drugs and you decide to proceed with using them, it's strongly recommended that you utilize these strategies to reduce risk of overdose

REDUCING OVERDOSE RISK

WHEN USING, ASSUME THERE IS A RISK OF OVERDOSE NO MATTER WHAT YOU ARE USING

USE SLOW & USE LESS: A LITTLE GOES A LONG WAY. REMEMBER, AN OVERDOSE CAN HAPPEN VERY QUICKLY

TRY SNORTING/ SMOKING INSTEAD OF INJECTING: INJECTING CARRIES THE HIGHEST RISK OF OVERDOSE. PLEASE NOTE THAT OVERDOSE IS STILL POSSIBLE WITH SNORTING AND SMOKING.

SPACE OUT YOUR DOSES

TRY NOT TO USE ALONE. TRY TO USE WITH SOMEONE(S) YOU TRUST. IF YOU MUST USE ALONE, HAVE SOMEONE CHECK ON YOU AROUND THE TIMES THAT YOU USE.

IF USING IN A GROUP, TRY NOT TO USE AT THE SAME TIME. **TRY TO HAVE AT LEAST ONE PERSON WHO CAN STAY ALERT AND ADMINISTER NALOXONE IF NEEDED**

TEST YOUR DRUGS. KNOW WHATS IN THEM SO THAT YOU CAN MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION ABOUT HOW YOU WANT TO PROCEED

ALWAYS CARRY NALOXONE/ NARCAN. KNOW HOW TO IDENTIFY AN OVERDOSE AND HOW TO USE NALOXONE/ NARCAN