

# PUBLIC HEALTH OPIOID ADVISORY



## Toxic Red or Beige Fentanyl Circulating

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### Attention: Oxford County

- Southwestern Public Health has received a report from a local service provider of three, non-fatal poisonings that have occurred in the last 24 hours.
- The overdoses are suspected to be related to very toxic fentanyl described as either red or beige in colour.
- Be aware that fentanyl of any colour has the potential to be toxic.

### In case of overdose:

- Call 911.
- Give naloxone if an opioid overdose is suspected (it may take more than one dose).
- Stay with and assist the person until paramedics arrive.
- The person should go to the hospital with the paramedics for further treatment.

### Organizations should:

- Be aware that demand for your services may increase.
- Share this information with your clients.
- Monitor the situation closely and report any new observations to Southwestern Public Health.

### If you use substances:

- Don't use alone.
- Avoid mixing substances.
- Start with a small amount first.
- Carry a naloxone kit.