

Xylazine | TRANQ

What you need to know.

WARNING: Xylazine detected in Peterborough's opioid drug supply.

Xylazine, or "Tranq", is a veterinary drug that is **not approved for human use**. It has been detected in the drug supply in Peterborough, and may be 'cut' into fentanyl, benzodiazepines or other drugs to produce a longer and stronger high. Xylazine can have severe side effects including skin ulcers and infections, increased risk of drug poisoning and death.

Effects of Xylazine:

- Lowered heart rate, blood pressure and breathing
- Sedation, long blackouts, and coma
- Skin ulcers and abscesses that do not heal on their own

Protect Yourself:



DON'T USE ALONE. Fix with a friend, visit the Consumption Treatment Services site at 220 Simcoe Street or call the National Overdose Response Service at 1-888-688-6677.



START LOW, GO SLOW. Use a very small amount. Use new equipment every time and never share supplies.



INJECT SAFELY. Clean the injection site well. Take your time finding veins. Never attempt to sharpen or sterilize used needles. Don't touch or lick the tip of the needle.



PRACTICE WOUND CARE. Wounds may appear anywhere on the body and are very difficult to heal on their own. Seek medical support for treatment of skin ulcers or abscesses to prevent the risk of infection.



USE NALOXONE & MONITOR BREATHING. Naloxone does not work on xylazine, but will help with any opioids that may be present. Monitor breathing regularly. **Call 911 if breathing is shallow, erratic, or has stopped.**

If you need help or have questions:



**Peterborough
Public Health**

705-743-1000

www.peterboroughpublichealth.ca

For naloxone & harm reduction supplies contact:

PARN... 705-749-9110

FourCAST... 705-876-1292

360 Clinic... 705-874-3900

Canadian Mental Health Association... 705-748-6711

One Roof Community Centre... 705-874-1812

MSORT (Mobile Support Overdose Resource Team)... 705-760-0673