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Marijuana Laced with Fentanyl

Location of Incident: Yuma, AZ

The Yuma County Sheriff's Office would like to inform the public of an emerging trend in which marijuana is being laced with Fentanyl. More and more street drugs are being laced with fentanyl because of its low cost and extreme potency.

Whether it's sold with fentanyl on purpose or naively by dealers, it is cause for concern. It is almost impossible to know if a drug has been laced with fentanyl without proper testing as you cannot see, taste or smell the opioid.

The public should be aware that marijuana is being laced to increase the intensity of the high, and parents should talk about the dangers of drug use with their children.

Be aware of these signs leading to overdose:
-Can't stay awake
-Eyes rolled back or pupils are pinpoint
-Slow or no pulse
-Slow or no breathing, gurgling
-Pale skin (gray or blue), feels cold
-Body is limp, not responding to noise or stimulation

Do not hesitate to call 911 in case of emergencies. To submit tips you may contact the Yuma County Sheriff's Office at 928-783-4427 or 78-CRIME to remain anonymous. You can also submit tips through our website at www.yumacountysheriff.org.

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