# **Drug Checking in Fraser Health**

#### # of Samples Tested by Expected Drug Category:

40 Samples Tested

Opioid: 37 / Stimulant: 0 / Psychedelic: 0 / Unknown:1 / Depressant: 2 / Other: 0 / Polysubstance: 0



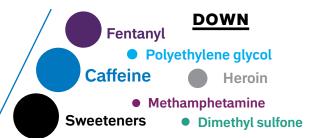
## **Common Components, Cuts and Buffs**

UP

No Cocaine Samples this month

### SIDE

No Meth Samples this month



# # of samples tested for fentanyl

37 Opioid samples

**33** FENTANYL POSITIVE (89%)



4 FENTANYL NEGATIVE (11%)

2 Depressant samples



2 FENTANYL NEGATIVE (100%)

1 Unknown sample



**1** FENTANYL NEGATIVE 100%)



## **Public Health Notifications**

	Date & Location	Expected Drug	Drugs Detected	Fentanyl Strip	Benzo Strip	What does this mean?
i	23 January 2020- SafePoint, Surrey	Fentanyl	Psuedoephedrine and cellulose	Negative	Negative	Psuedoephedrine is stimulant used as a decongestant; Check your drugs!

For information about current substances in the area contact: overdose@fraserhealth.ca.

This report summarizes key indicators for Fourier Transform Infrared (FTIR)/fentanyl test strip combination drug checking done in Fraser Health in January 2020.

As there is 5% fentanyl detection limit on the Bruker ALPHA Fourier-Transform Infrared (FTIR) spectrometer (McCrae, 2019), a drug check on any given sample consists of <u>both</u> the FTIR <u>and</u> BTNX fentanyl immunoassay test strip testing done in combination. When applicable, BTNX benzodiazepine or lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD) immunoassay test strips are also used.

Benzodiazepine-positivity of opioid samples are determined using BTNX benzodiazeoine test strips, which have not been formally evaluated for drug checking. Therefore, the results presented above are presumptive and tentative until confirmed by a laboratory.

Please note that these data are not finalized and are subject to change.





# **Drug Checking in Fraser Health**

## # of drugs checks and hours at each respective site:

Location	# of Drug Checks	Hours
SafePoint (Surrey)	40	12
Total	40	12

## # of samples that matched client expectation

\*using FTIR/test strip drug checking

**EXPECTED DRUG:** 

#### **Depressant**

2 Samples Tested



Matched: 1

Match not determined: 1

EXPECTED DRUG:

#### **Unknown**

1 Sample Tested



Match not determined: 1

EXPECTED DRUG:

#### **Opioid**

37 Samples Tested



Matched: 36
Did not match: 1

#### **Total**

40 Samples Tested



Matched: 37 Did not Match: 1

Match not determined: 2

# **Drug Checking in Fraser Health**

# # of opioid samples that matched client expectation \*using FTIR/test strip drug checking EXPECTED DRUG: Down 3 Samples Tested Matched: 3 EXPECTED DRUG: Fentanyl 32 Samples Tested

#### **Total**

Matched: 31 Did not match: 1

37 Samples Tested



Matched: 36 Did not Match: 1

Please note that the presence of the expected substance does not imply purity, as samples frequently contain adulterating cutting agents \*'Down' can refer to any opioid drug present in any amount

Depressant may include: benzodiazepines, GHB, zopiclone **Opioid may include:**"down," heroin, fentanyl,
fentanyl analogues,
pharmaceutical opioids

Polysubstance includes: cross-category mixtures

Psychedelic may include: 2C-family, tryptamines, ketamine, MDMA, LSD, cannabis Stimulant may include: "speed", crystal meth, cocaine, cathinones Unknown includes: all samples in which the client could not identify the expected substance

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