



Green Fentanyl: New Deadly Threat to Northshore and Greater New Orleans Area

HAMMOND (October 13, 2025)- The Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff's Office, in conjunction with local and federal partner agencies, is issuing a Public Safety Alert regarding a dangerous new trend: the emergence of "**Green Fentanyl**" on the Northshore and in the Greater New Orleans area.

Seized in recent investigations across the region, this form of fentanyl poses a significant and immediate threat to public health and safety.

What You Need to Know:

- **Appearance:** This new form of fentanyl varies in color of green and has the **consistency of sidewalk chalk, gel, or a tar-like form**. Law enforcement warns that it can be easily mistaken for cannabis or other less potent drugs.
- **Extreme Potency:** Fentanyl is a powerful synthetic opioid, approximately 50 times more potent than heroin. A lethal dose for a typical adult can be as low as **two milligrams, the equivalent of just two grains of salt**.
- **Rising Overdoses:** The emergence of this green fentanyl has been linked to a recent spike in opioid-related emergency calls on the Northshore, prompting an immediate drug warning in Tangipahoa Parish.

Signs of an Opioid Overdose:

It is critical for the public to recognize the signs of an opioid overdose. If you witness someone exhibiting these symptoms, **call 911 immediately** and administer naloxone if available.

- Severe sleepiness or the person cannot be woken up
- Breathing is slow or absent
- Snoring or gurgling noises
- Cold, clammy skin
- Lips and fingers are blue or grey
- Pupils are tiny

Overdose Response & Resources:

- **Call 911:** Always call emergency services immediately if you suspect an overdose.
- **Use Naloxone (Narcan):** Naloxone is a life-saving medication that can temporarily reverse the effects of an opioid overdose. Free naloxone kits and training are available through various public health initiatives across Louisiana.

As a reminder, TPSO participates with Operation Angel, a program offering those struggling with addiction to turn to the sheriff's office to seek treatment, at no charge, without fear of consequences. If you, or a loved one, wants help through Operation Angel, individuals can come to any TPSO office or call 985-747-9696.

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