

## Fentanyl-related Resources and Support: volume 2 (February 2017)

The following includes several new resources now available

## Online Information/Education re Fentanyl:

- 1. <u>New classroom education resources</u> developed by Centre for Addictions Research of BC (CARBC) These four new resources for grades 6-11 are part of the larger iMinds curriculum.
  - i. The Giver (Grades 6-8);
  - ii. The Hunger Games (Grade 7-9);
  - iii. Pain Medications: Benefits and Risks (Grade 9); and
  - iv. Opioid Use: Deconstructing Media Messages (Grade 11).

As well CARBC's handout <u>Drug Education is Conversation</u> is useful background reading for teachers who plan to teach drug education. It emphasizes: inquiry methods; fostering open dialogue; exploring issues; and building competencies. As well as the role of a safe and caring classroom and community.

- 2. Resources for Parents <u>How to Talk to Your Kids About Substance Use & Overdose</u> is a website developed by the Ministry of Health in collaboration with Healthlink and the CARBC. The site outlines how to talk to children, youth, and adult children specifically about opioid use and overdose.
- 3. <u>Toolkit:</u> Fraser Health's <u>Information Kit for Schools and Parents Stop Drug Overdose</u> has been updated. This kit includes an interactive fact sheet, Trauma Informed Practice reminders and websites/other resources.
- 4. Overdose Statistics and BC plan: a) Dr. Perry Kendall, BC Provincial Health Officer, recent PowerPoint presentation on: Public Health Emergency Provincial Task Force; BC's 7 step plan; and detailed data on overdoses to date by gender/age, Health Authority, etc., and b) January 18, 2017 BC Coroners Illicit Drug Overdose Deaths report showing the most current statistics.
- 5. <u>Key BC Government information site</u>: <a href="http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/overdose">http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/overdose</a> an extensive array of information, e.g.: information for parents; identifying an overdose; what to do in the event of an overdose; naloxone kits and how to use them; short videos from impacted parents and from first responders; and more.
- 6. <u>A sample of Twitter links to government site</u>: #Fentanyl? <a href="http://ow.ly/lLcZ303R4CF">http://ow.ly/lLcZ303R4CF</a>; Get help if you suspect an overdose. <a href="http://ow.ly/oKRn306hCi3">http://ow.ly/oKRn306hCi3</a>; #StopOverdose. Talk to your kids: <a href="http://ow.ly/nroN305P3tJ">http://ow.ly/nroN305P3tJ</a>;
- 7. <u>FACEBOOK links to government site:</u> Signs of an overdose <a href="http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/overdose/help-and-resources;">http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/overdose/help-and-resources;</a> What parents need to know <a href="http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/overdose/information-for-parents">http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/overdose/information-for-parents</a>

\*\*\*Additional VSB fentanyl notices and resources can be found here: http://www.vsb.bc.ca/sacy\*\*\*

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