**How to Stay Safer with Xylazine**

*Xylazine, also known as Tranq, is not an opioid. Tranq is a veterinary sedative recently found in the U.S. drug supply.*

When tranq is mixed with another drug, like fentanyl, heroin or a benzo, it can increase the risk of overdose. **In case of overdose, here’s what you can do:**

- If you think someone has overdosed, **give them Naloxone**.
- If the person is not responding, **check if they are breathing**.
- If the person is not breathing and not responding, **call 9-1-1**.
- If the person starts breathing but still seems sleepy, **put them on their side supported by a bent knee**. This will help them breathe.

**Tranq has been linked to serious wounds that can quickly get worse and spread.**

**Tranq, whether smoked, snorted, or injected, can cause serious wounds and ulcers.** See a doctor promptly if you have a wound from using tranq, and keep it clean and covered to avoid infection.

**What can you do if you think there is tranq in your drugs?**

Before buying or using a drug, ask others how it makes them feel. Tranq can make you really sleepy, so if you are using it, be sure to use it in a safe place where you won’t fall and hurt yourself. If you think there’s tranq in your drugs, tell someone at a local needle exchange program so others can be careful too.

- **carry narcan (naloxone)**
- **start low and go slow**
- **tell someone you’re using**

**Never Use Alone**

English hotline: 800-484-3731  
Spanish hotline: 800-928-5330

**Syringe Services Program**  
Phone number (831) 454-2437

For more information and resources, visit: [https://www.hipscc.org/xylazine](https://www.hipscc.org/xylazine)

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