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# Press Release

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## HEALTH ALERT: RENO COUNTY OVERDOSES

**Reno County, Kansas – October 11th, 2021** – Three methamphetamine overdoses have been reported in Reno County over the past 24 hours. There has also been an increase in heroin overdoses over the last two and a half weeks. This concerning trend likely involves illicitly manufactured fentanyl. Fentanyl is mixed in with other substances including methamphetamine, heroin, and fake pills made to look like Oxycontin. Two milligrams of fentanyl can be lethal depending on a person's body size, tolerance, and past usage.

The Reno County Health Department has been collecting data of suspected overdoses and issuing alerts for the past year. Since October 1, 2021, there have been 14 overdoses and two Naloxone administrations. The dashboard can be found here: <https://arcg.is/Ki9OX>.

The Reno Recovery Collaborative recommends the following steps and strategies for our community:

- Naloxone (Narcan) education, trainings, and availability <https://www.dccca.org/naloxone-program/>
- Encourage more people to carry naloxone (Narcan)
- Encourage members of our community who use substances to never use alone
- Check in on friends or family regularly that use substances

For more local information, education, and specific activities on substance misuse, or if you want to get involved in the Reno Recovery Collaborative, please contact Seth Dewey at [seth.dewey@renogov.org](mailto:seth.dewey@renogov.org).

### State and National Treatment Resources:

Find a treatment facility: <https://findtreatment.gov/>

National treatment line: [1-800-662-4357](tel:1-800-662-4357)

Kansas Substance Use Disorder Treatment Referral line: 1-866-645-8216

### Reno County Resources:

Hutchinson Narcan Resource: <https://hutchinsonnarcan.8b.io/>

Crossover Recovery: 620-669-9024

SACK Detox Unit: 620-259-2063

Mirror: 620-665-7750

Breakthru: 620-218-0636

Recovery Response Team: 620-663-7595

Crisis Line: 1-800-794-0163

Reno ASAP Alcohol and Drug Services- 620-665-6446

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